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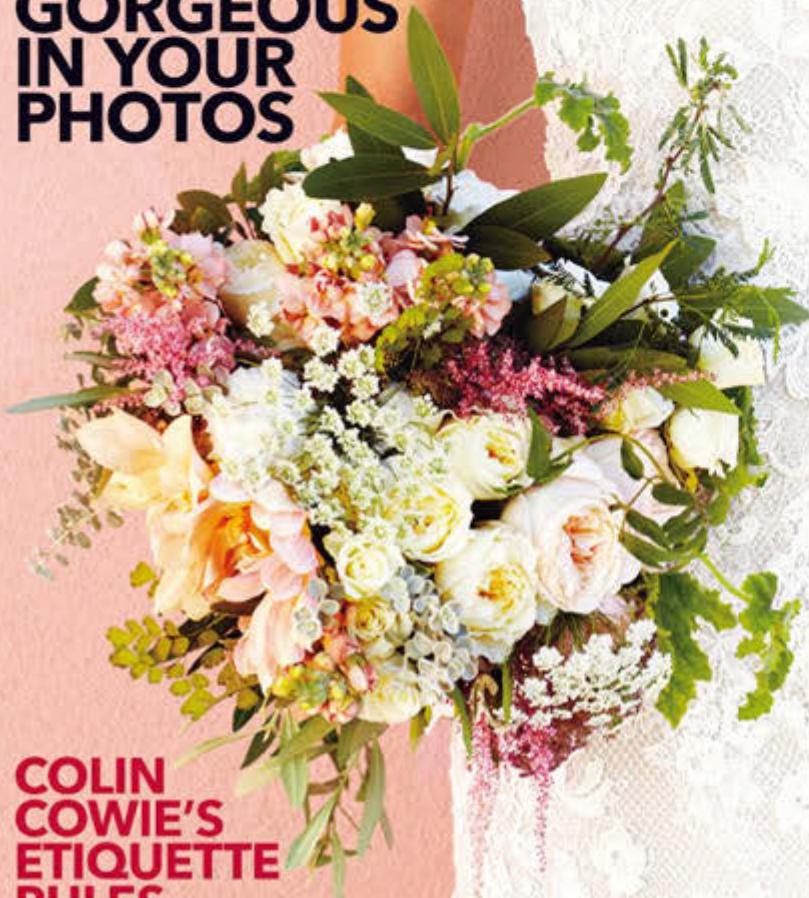
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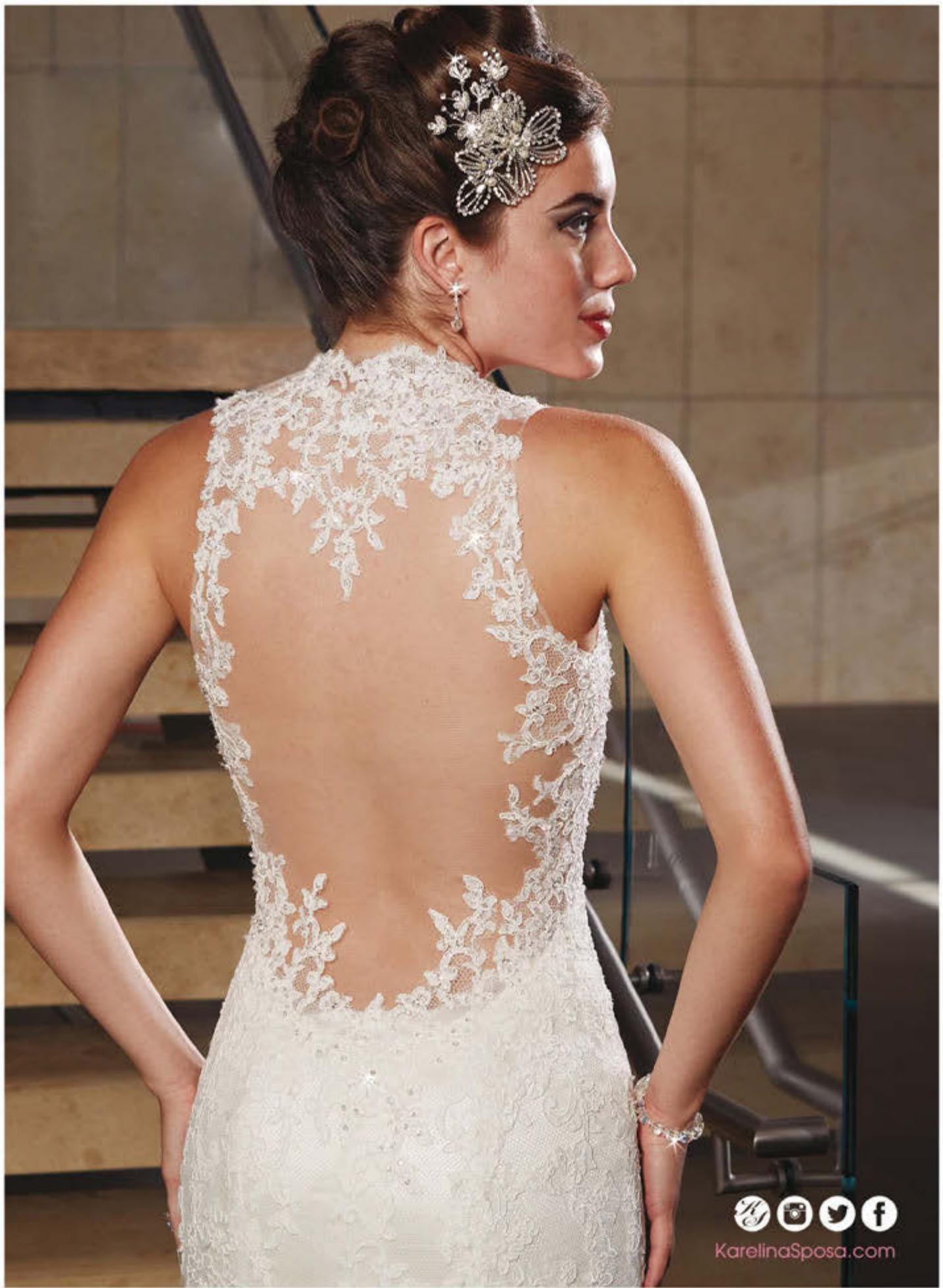
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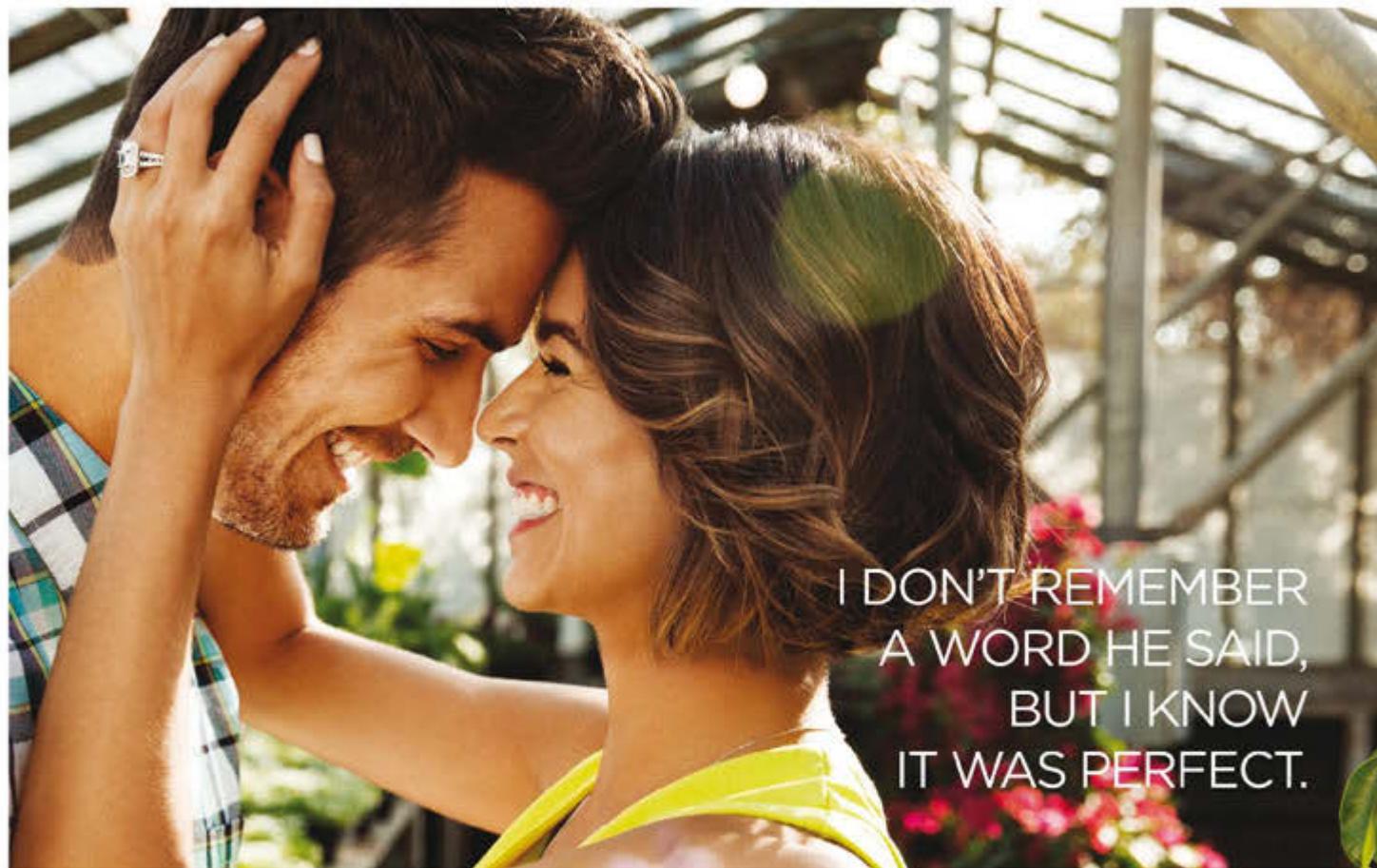
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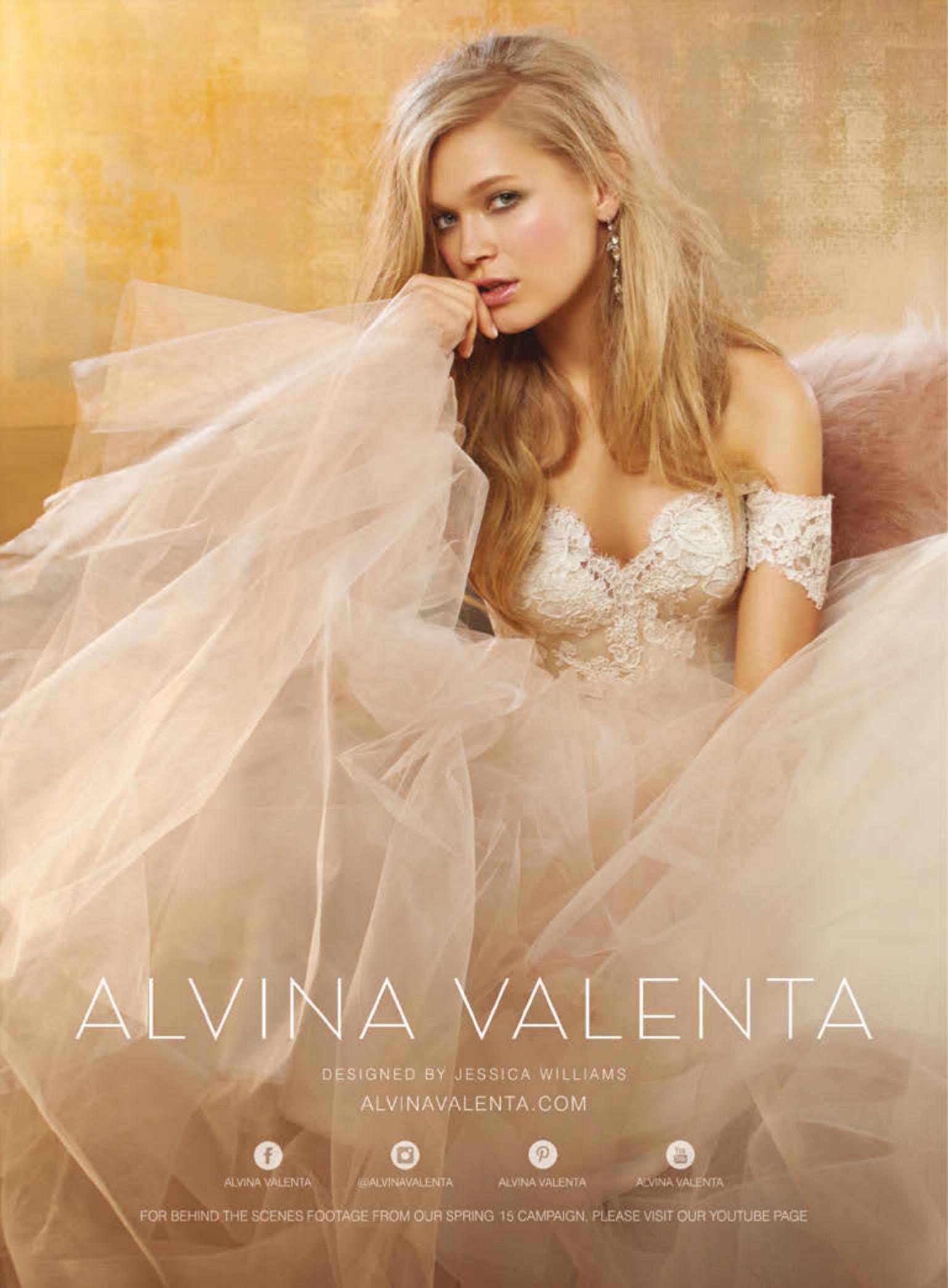
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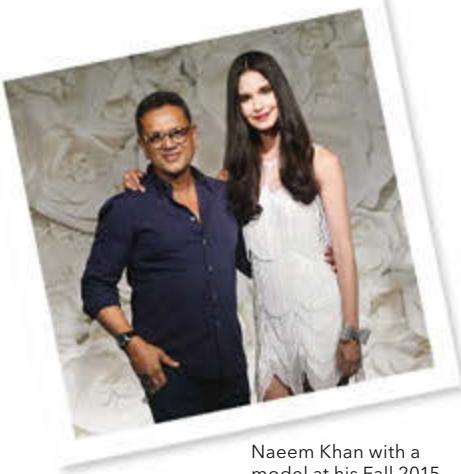
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EDITOR'S LETTER



Naeem Khan with a model at his Fall 2015 bridal presentation



My (new) favorite mascara

A few months ago, I found myself at a dinner party in New York's West Village seated between one of my favorite designers, Naeem Khan, and one of the most fearless kings of the wedding and events world, Colin Cowie. We were toasting Naeem's second bridal presentation, a true highlight of New York's Fall 2015 Bridal Fashion Week. (For more from the latest collections, just keep on flipping; this is the Dress Issue after all!) At some point, the conversation turned to wedding do's and don'ts, and what I find irresistibly refreshing about Colin is that he consistently offers a strong point of view. As you plan your wedding, you'll hear that all the old rules have been tossed out the window and that the only rule now is that there are no rules. Not so, says Colin, and I'd have to agree. There are some that should be followed except in the rarest of situations (like if you're having a surprise wedding!). For example, nowhere should it be written that the couple prefers cash to gifts (even if it's true), and while you can send an e-save-the-date, a paper invite is still a must. We hear from so many brides who want to know the rules so they can then decide which to happily break. To help us with that, I called on Colin, who lays down the law in "Plan Like a Pro."

And while you're gracefully navigating wedding etiquette, get ready to look your spectacular best for your big day. First stop: our "2015 Beauty Awards." Looking for a lipstick that'll last after kissing countless relatives, a foundation that looks flawless in photos, or a deodorant that holds up through the after-party? *Brides* editors tested hundreds of products with your white-carpet moment specifically in mind. I personally tried 16 mascaras, some that pleasantly surprised me and some that after eight hours left a black smudge under my eyes, as if I'd been throwing back tequila in a Miami nightclub till dawn. All that experimenting helped me find my new go-to, Trish McEvoy's High Volume Mascara. (It makes such a dramatic difference—and I have puny lashes!) Prepping for your wedding is the best reason to play with new products, so splurge a little and have fun finding your wedding must-haves. Our beauty awards will get you started!


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"Our cake was epic: layers of carrot and Italian cream cake with cream-cheese frosting."

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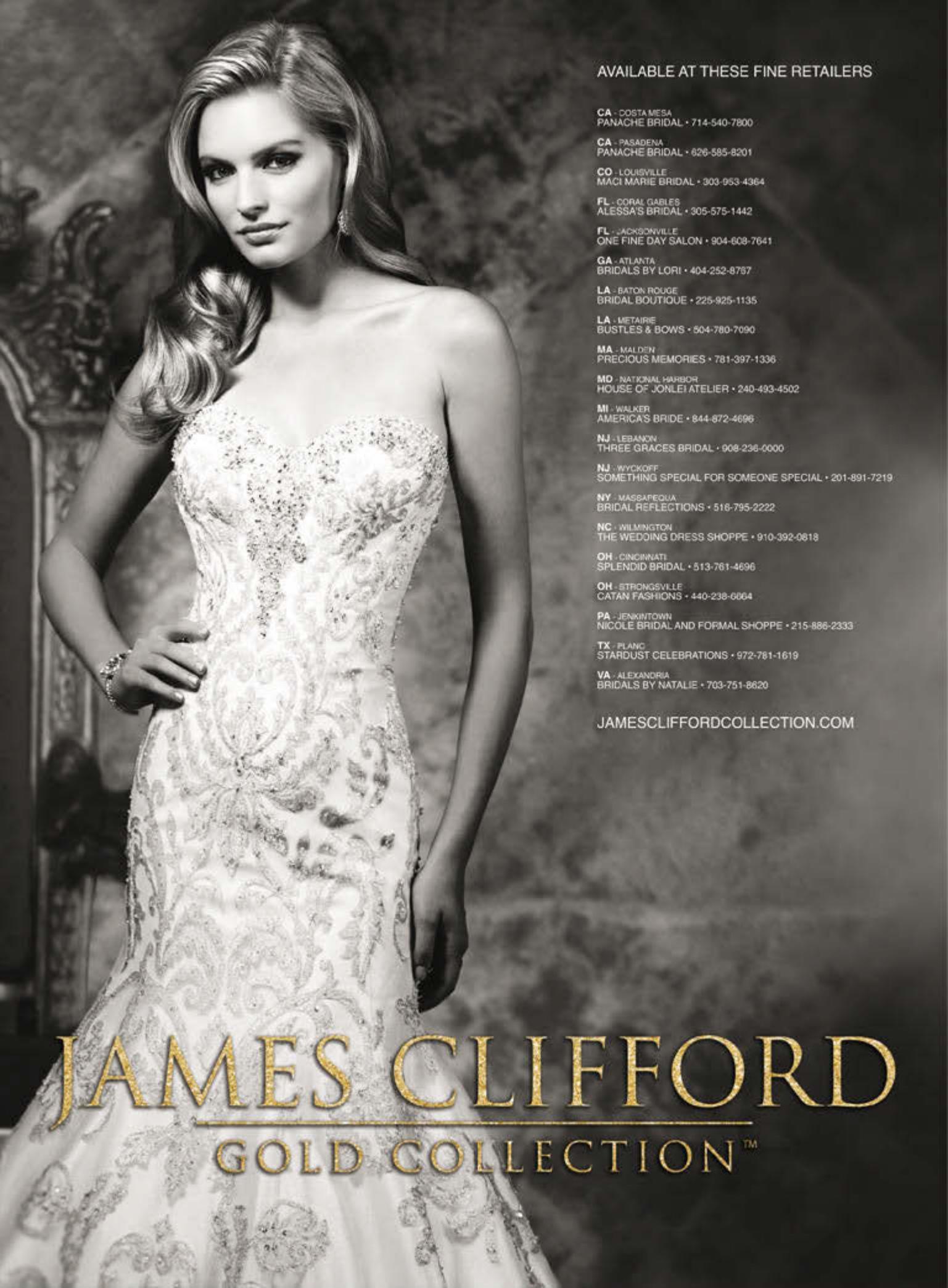
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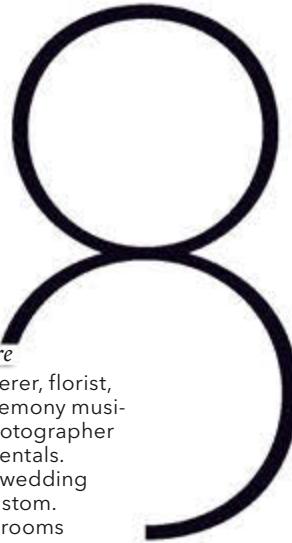
12 months before

- Write up the guest list.
- Figure out who's paying for what.
- Set the wedding budget.
- Hire a planner if you're using one.
- Book the ceremony site and reception venue.

10 months before

- Choose your officiant.
- Go dress shopping.
- Set up in-person meetings with potential vendors.
- Select the bridal party.
- Hire the stationer if you're going custom.

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8 months before

- Hire the caterer, florist, band/DJ, ceremony musicians, and photographer and reserve rentals.
- Order your wedding dress if it's custom.
- Block hotel rooms for out-of-town guests.
- Register.



2 weeks before

- Have your final dress fitting (!).
- Submit a shot list to the photographer.
- Send playlists to the DJ or band.
- Pick up your marriage license.
- Update the registry.
- Review RSVPs and contact stragglers.

1 week before

- Provide a final head count to the site and caterer.
- Finalize the seating chart.
- Give last-minute requests to vendors.

48 hours before

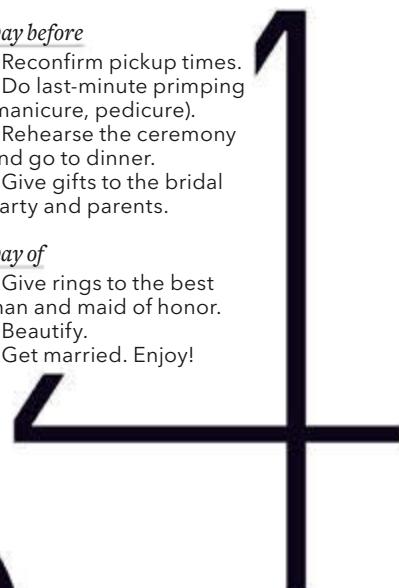
- Pick up your dress.
- Write checks due the day of.
- Put vendor tips in envelopes, and ask the maid of honor or best man to distribute them.

Day before

- Reconfirm pickup times.
- Do last-minute primping (manicure, pedicure).
- Rehearse the ceremony and go to dinner.
- Give gifts to the bridal party and parents.

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My coworkers assume that they are invited to my wedding. How do I politely let them know they're not? And for those who are invited, do I have to invite their spouses?

Don't stress about explaining too much, say Seattle planners Nick and Aleah Valley of Valley & Co. If your coworkers are no more than occasional happy-hour mates, they don't need an apology. Tell them you chose to keep the wedding to family and close friends—feel free to blame the budget—and avoid discussing wedding plans at work. (Gently ask coworkers who made the cut to keep quiet too.) If you've invited only a few colleagues, plus-ones might make them feel more comfortable. It's courteous but not required.

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Can we ask guests not to post pictures from our ceremony on social media?

It's totally OK to ban photos at your ceremony, says SoCal planner Brooke Keegan. Just have the program attendant or usher remind guests not to use their phones as they're seated, or request that they stay Insta-free with a sign at the entrance of your ceremony location.

We're having a destination wedding. Is registering for gifts asking too much?

"If your guests are hopping on a plane to see you get married, their presence is gift enough," says New York City-based celebrity planner Marcy Blum. But just because you're not expecting anything doesn't mean you can't register; some friends and family members will still want to buy you a gift. If anyone asks where they should shop, tell them, but don't shout it out on your wedding Web site. That way, other guests won't feel obligated to shell out.

My fiancé's fraternity brothers want to follow our first dance with a choreographed rendition of "Whoomp! (There It Is)." It's bound to be crass and horrible, but I don't want to be a buzz kill. Should I let them go for it?

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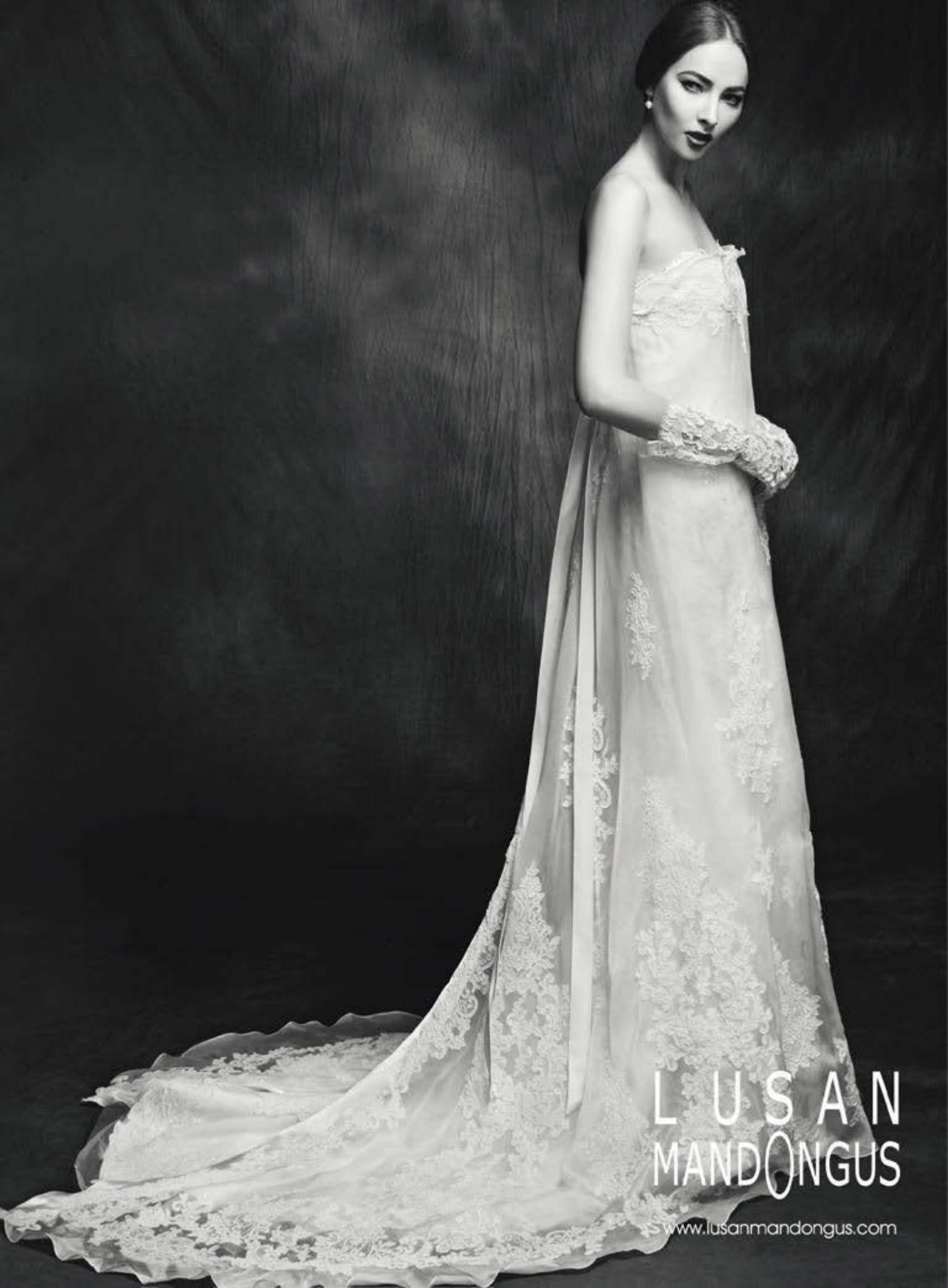
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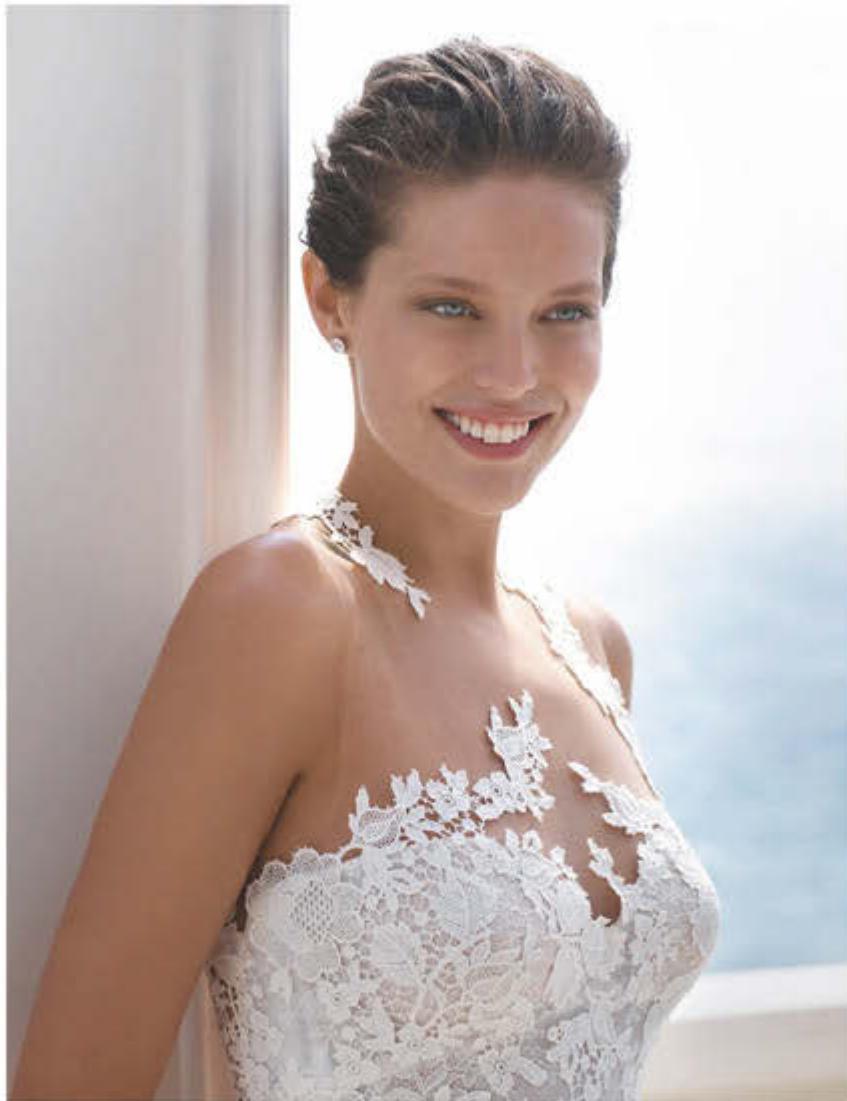


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WHAT IS PREMARITAL COUNSELING ALL ABOUT, AND SHOULD YOU AND YOUR GROOM GIVE IT A TRY? **NORA ZELEVANSKY** HAS THE ANSWERS.



Shortly before my wedding, I stumbled upon an unusual sight: My fiancé, Andrew, was sitting on our couch. But instead of watching a Yankee game or a golf tournament, he was reading *Men Are from Mars, Women Are from Venus*, a self-help book recommended by Rabbi John Rosove, our officiant. We'd decided to have a Jewish wedding and a week earlier had met with the rabbi at Temple Israel of Hollywood to discuss the nature of our relationship. Apparently, Andrew was taking the homework seriously.

The average American engagement lasts 14.5 months, and couples spend most of it focused on planning the most special, personal, kick-ass party celebrating their decision to spend their lives together. What gets less attention is what happens afterward, when that life begins. In the lead-up to the big day, friends and family ask about flowers and the dress but never about how you envision your future together or whether you have a savings plan. Occasionally, one may throw out a perfunctory "Are you excited to be married?" But they're looking for an exuberant "Yes!" so they can go back to hearing about the raw bar.

Still, those hard questions need solid answers *before* you walk the aisle, and that's where premarital counseling comes in. "The main purpose is for the bride and groom to say things



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aloud that they hadn't before and to unearth any areas of concern," explains Rosove, who spends two to three hourlong sessions with engaged couples. "There's no perfect relationship. You need to address troublesome issues because they don't go away."

This may sound like work, and the process isn't always comfortable. (It wasn't for us, especially when the rabbi's questions about our finances were met with nervous giggling. Ah, creative freelance types.) But it can provide critical tools for the future. "It's not meant to be a burden," says Reverend David Monteleone of Saint Joseph Roman Catholic Church in Mendham, New Jersey, whose Pre-Cana program—the Catholic church's premarital counseling—includes a long questionnaire given to the bride and groom separately, then graded and flagged for follow-up, and a sit-down session with a married couple, priest, or deacon, individually and as a couple. "It should enrich your life and help you enter marriage without false expectations."

For me, what was most illuminating about the process was the way Andrew threw himself into it; I saw how committed he'd be to keeping our marriage strong.

A similar thing happened to my friend Devon Whitney, who was starry-eyed over her fiancé, Stefan, when they began two intensive days of counseling with the Episcopal priest at Stefan's childhood church. "The priest encouraged us to get real about how we'd share money and domestic roles or handle a crisis," she says. "I don't know if there's any way to anticipate the hurdles you'll face, but it's useful to have someone knock you out of the fog and ensure that your love can withstand hard and unexpected problems."

If your officiant doesn't require counseling (your Universal Life Church-ordained sister may not be making demands), you can book a few sessions with a couples counselor or coach or just take an hour once a week to bounce these subjects around with your fiancé.

1 / Your vision for the future "People tend to assume they're on the same page without checking in," explains L.A.-based therapist Ali Goldstein. "Do you want to live in an apartment or a house? In the city or the suburbs? If the relationship becomes strained, what steps do you agree to take?" Unless you ask these questions now, you may be in for surprises later.

2 / Your fighting style How you argue is just as important as what you argue about. "Problems arise when a couple is mismatched in fighting style," explains Anita A. Chlipala, a Chicago-based marriage and family therapist. To get in sync, Goldstein suggests that you each ask yourselves, *How do I deal with a change or crisis? What's my communication style?* You may react to stress differently (e.g., one of you clams up and plays video games while the other rants and eats French fries). But if you examine your habits, then ask yourself, *Would I rather be right or be loved?* and *Is my reaction helpful?* when disagreements arise, you'll be able to make headway instead of spinning your wheels.

3 / How you deal with money It's not romantic, but it's a fact: You can't survive on love; you need money. But how much, and how will it be coming in? Are you a saver or spender? What's your long-term financial goal? These are things you *must* talk about. Rosove recommends that couples talk to a financial counselor before the wedding "to help set up long- and short-term goals," he says.

4 / What family means to you By now, you've likely discussed whether you want kids. But the questions don't end there, says Reverend Julie Hoplamazian of Grace Episcopal Church in Brooklyn. "You bring your past with you to the table," she says. "For example, if one person comes from a small nuclear family and the other from a large one, the couple might argue about the 'right way' to celebrate Christmas without realizing it's because their experiences were different." Each of you will probably default to how your family did things. Find compromises.

5 / What you believe in This isn't about whether you think Tupac is alive or Beyoncé carried her own baby; this is about spirituality. Maybe religion is cultural for you, maybe faith gives meaning to your life, or maybe you find organized worship of any kind intolerable. Talk about it. Anne Bohner of Villanova, Pennsylvania, attended Pre-Cana sessions with her husband, and they were eye-opening. "We had different religions; it helped to discuss our expectations. Did we hope deep down that the other would convert? How would the kids be raised? Would we attend one church or both? Pre-Cana put it all on the table," she says.

6 / Your sex life This is among the most awkward subjects to discuss—and the most important. "Talk about what your romantic expectations are," recommends Goldstein. "Are they fair? Are they realistic?" The key is being open and honest. "I ask couples, do they view their sexual relationship as a reflection of trust and faith?" says Rosove. "Do they share secrets?" That's a crucial part of intimacy.

7 / Why you love each other Once you've answered the tough questions, it's time for the lovefest. Rosove, as part of the counseling process, gave us an exercise: "I have couples write what they love about the other person and why they want to get married," he says. "Then, at the ceremony, I repeat parts of what they said. It's a statement of who they are—personal and cosmic at the same time." Whether you're from Mars or Venus or Kalamazoo, doing the work up front doesn't mean marriage will always be easy, but it will give you more time after the wedding to enjoy what you've created together, through love and hard work. ■



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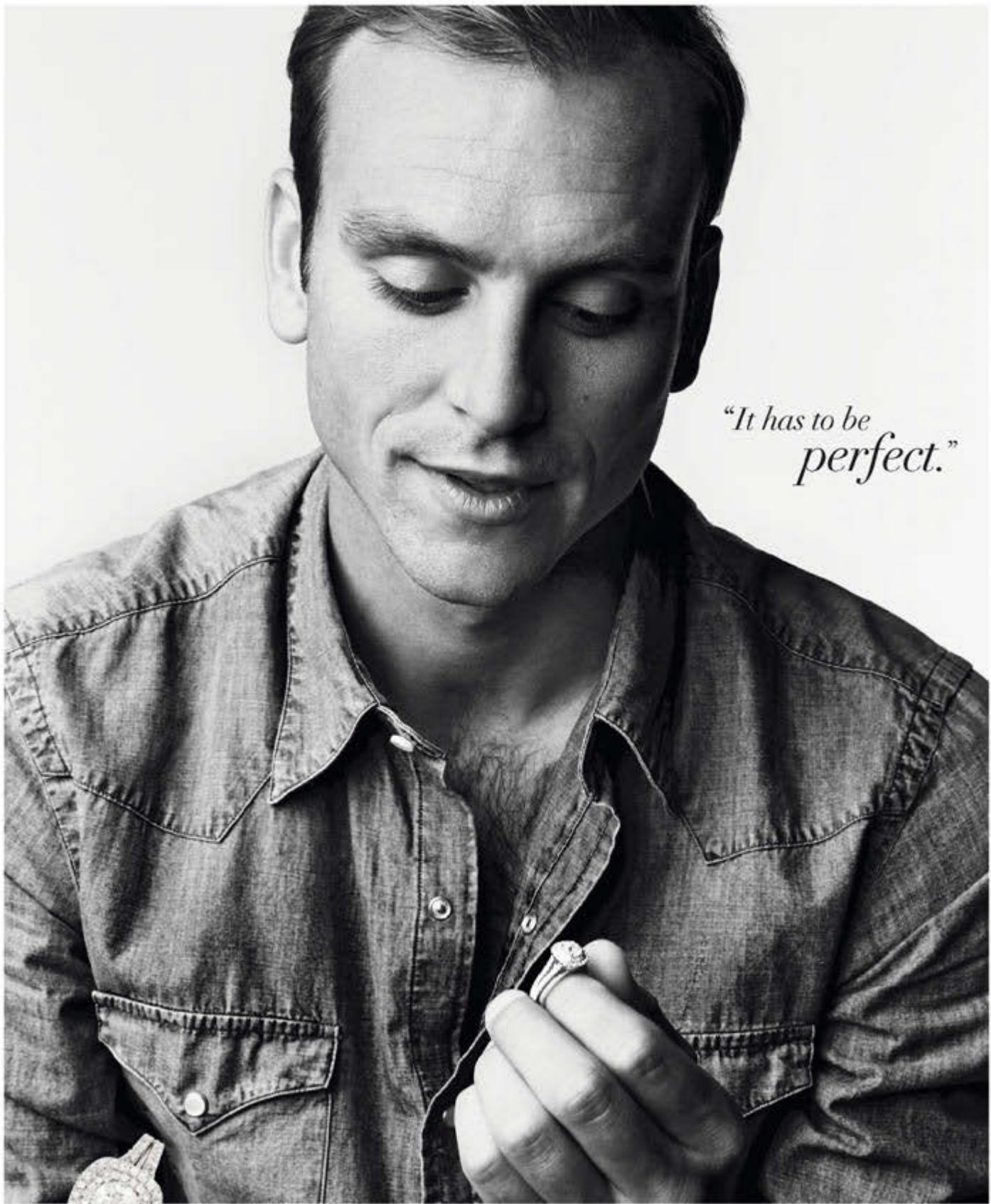
Beaded and sequined tulle gown, \$2,495, Theia; thedresstheory.com. Veil, Tia Mazza; tiamazza.com.



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A woman with long, wavy brown hair is standing in a white, floor-length gown. The dress features a lace bodice with a high neckline and short sleeves, transitioning into a flowing, chiffon-style skirt. She is wearing a large, ornate bracelet on her left wrist. Her hair is styled in loose waves, and she has a dark red lip.

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From left: Silk, \$448, Cynthia Rowley; cynthiarowley.com. Stretch crepe and faille, \$1,295, Theia; saks.com. Chiffon (available in five colors), \$310, Amsale; amsale.com. Chiffon, \$230, Donna Morgan; donna-morgan.com. Chiffon, \$169, David's Bridal; davidsbridal.com.

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THE SLEEVE

OFF THE SHOULDER

Soft, feminine gowns are great for the boho bride's party



From left: Charmeuse, \$320, Jenny Yoo; jennywoo.com. Chiffon (available in 27 colors), \$230, Jim Hjelm Occasions; jlmcouture.com. Chiffon (available in 15 colors), \$190, Nouvelle Amsale; amsale.com. Chiffon, \$295, Erin by Erin Fetherston; nordstrom.com. Viscose (available in six colors), \$328, Reformation; thereformation.com.

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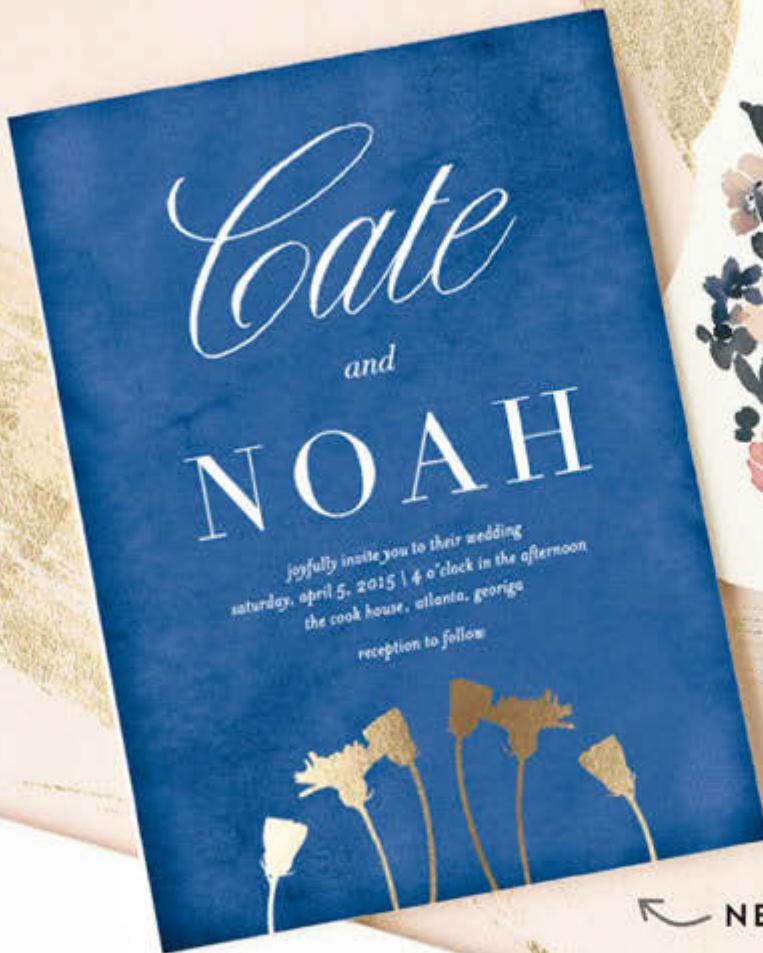


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THE COLOR

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The season's hottest shade is also universally flattering

From left: Chiffon (available in 20 colors), \$285, Joanna August; joannaaugust.com. Chiffon (available in 20 colors), \$175, After Six; dessy.com. Chiffon (available in 76 colors), \$225, Wtoo; wtoo.com. Lace (available in 14 colors), \$298, Watters; watters.com. Gazar (available in nine colors), \$270, Lela Rose; dessy.com.

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GO CLASSIC RALPH

Love that all-American vibe? Check out the new Lauren Ralph Lauren bridal collection, which nails the look for every member of the wedding party, from the guys to the kids to you. For your 'maids, think simple cocktail frocks for afternoon vows and floor-length gowns for black-tie affairs—all super chic and, of course, totally timeless. \$15-\$340; ralphlauren.com.

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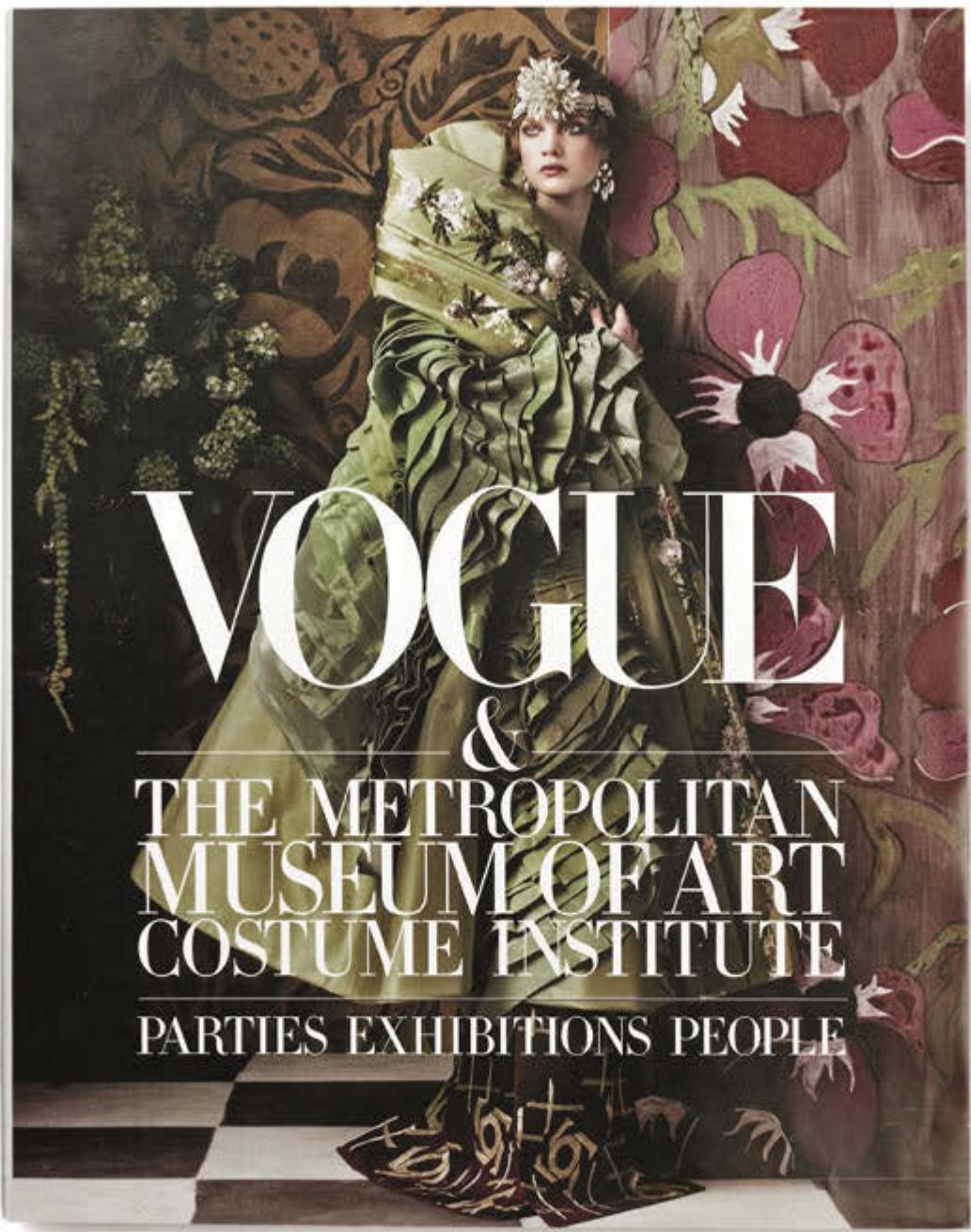
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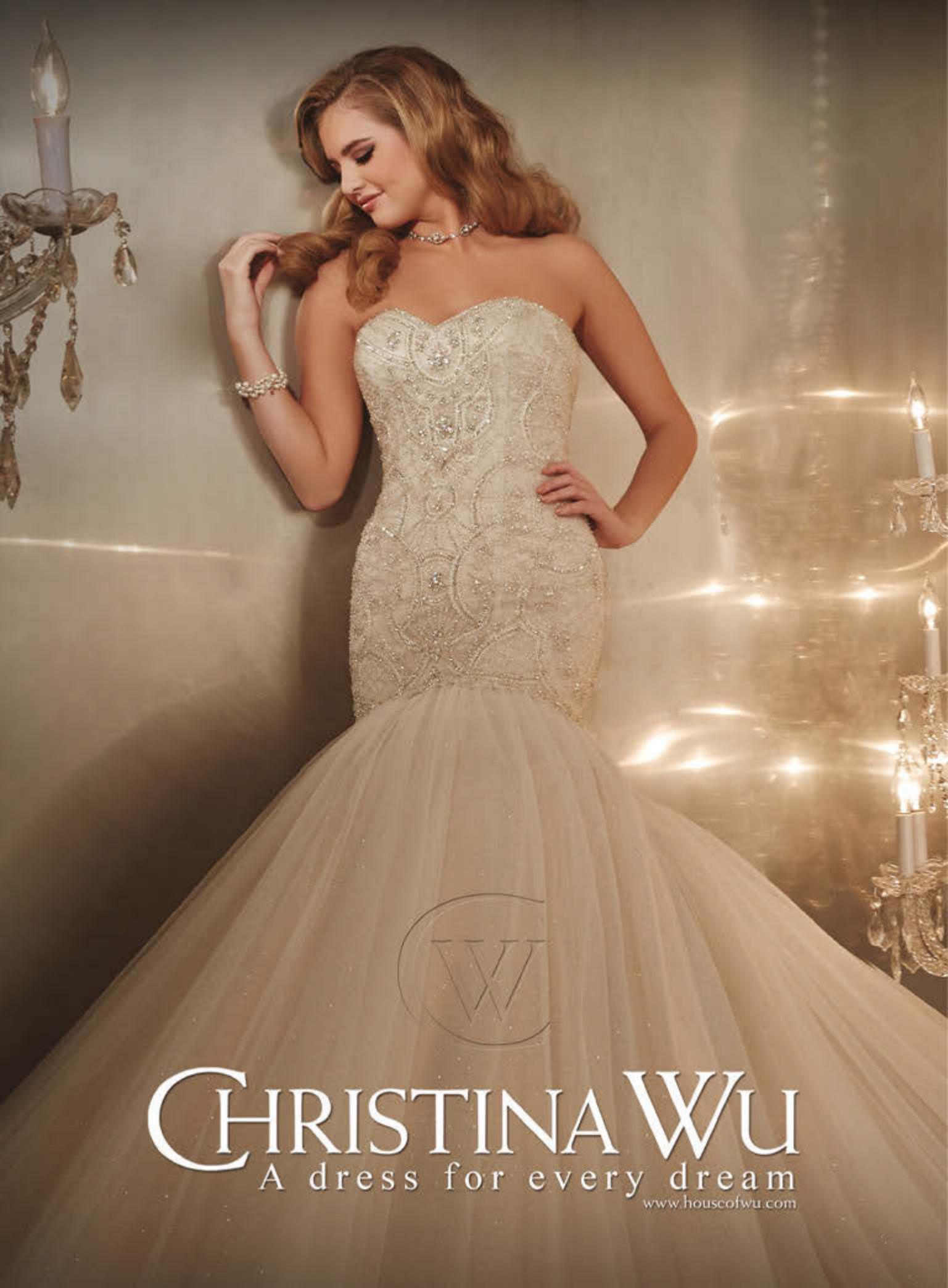
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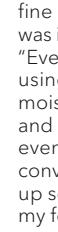
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NIGHT CREAM
**Nia 24 Skin
Strengthening
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In a category packed with enriching nutrients, this tube stood out. The ceramides soften, while niacin strengthens skin's barrier and goes to town on fine lines. Our tester was immediately hooked. "Ever since I started using it, my skin has felt moisturized, not greasy, and looks so much more even," she says. "I'm convinced that it cleared up some pimples on my forehead too."



REDNESS REDUCER
**La Roche-Posay
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Perfecting
Moisturizer, \$38**

"I'm usually self-conscious about the redness on my cheeks, but this really neutralized it," says our tester of this lotion, which combines Xanthine (to calm flushing) and a green tint (to help conceal ruddiness). "It also didn't irritate my skin at all—even though pretty much everything does!—and made a nice layer under my foundation."



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If you have a recurring dream about waking up with a pimple on your big day (it's not just us, right?), keep this classic benzoyl-peroxide treatment on hand. It's just the thing to swiftly battle last-minute pre-wedding breakouts. Says our tester, "I put it on before bed when I could feel a big zit coming on, and it was barely visible by the time I woke up." Sold.



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We love a good smoky eye, but the full-on production to remove them? Not so much. This formula whisks away shadow, liner, and mascara without the rubbing, tugging, or greasy residue typically involved. Says one editor, "I wear industrial-strength waterproof mascara, and this is the only thing that took it all off without leaving me oily."

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Besides having grown up together, Elana, 27, a marketing manager, and Christina, 26, a teacher, are lifelong friends. They got closer when both went to college in New York City.

ELANA: In college, we'd always try new fashion and beauty trends. We still rely on each other for honest advice and info.

CHRISTINA: I love that you told me about Dove Dry Spray. As a teacher in the classroom, I run around all the time. Dove Dry Spray has no dry time, and it smells great.

ELANA: One thing I love about it is the scent. It's so fresh. And you feel clean, smooth and dry from daytime to nighttime.

CHRISTINA: I'm really glad you shared it with me. Now let me borrow that top.



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**PRIMER****Clinique Superprimers, \$27 each**

Our testers liked that there are five formulas (for specific concerns like redness or dullness) and loved how they performed. "It keeps your foundation fresh all day," says one editor.

TINTED MOISTURIZER**Bare Minerals Complexion Rescue Tinted Hydrating Gel Cream, \$29**

Tinted moisturizers are usually more tint than moisturizer. But this one hydrates like crazy while delivering just enough coverage. "It's perfect for my 'good-skin' days," says one tester.

CONCEALER**La Mer the Radiant Concealer, \$70**

Rare is the formula that's equally adept at camouflaging blemishes and under-eye circles, but this creamy cover-up hides everything. Says our tester, "It's the only thing I trust on a monster pimple."

FOUNDATION FOR NORMAL TO DRY SKIN**Revlon ColorStay Makeup, \$13**

This base evens out skin but doesn't look or

feel heavy, despite the fact that it's practically bulletproof. "It lasted through an entire work day without getting cakey," says our tester.

FOUNDATION FOR NORMAL TO OILY SKIN**Dolce + Gabbana the Foundation Perfect Luminous Liquid Foundation, \$60**

Our editors loved that it covers pimples without aggravating them. "My skin was radiant but shine free," says one. "A little goes a long way, so the price is worth it."

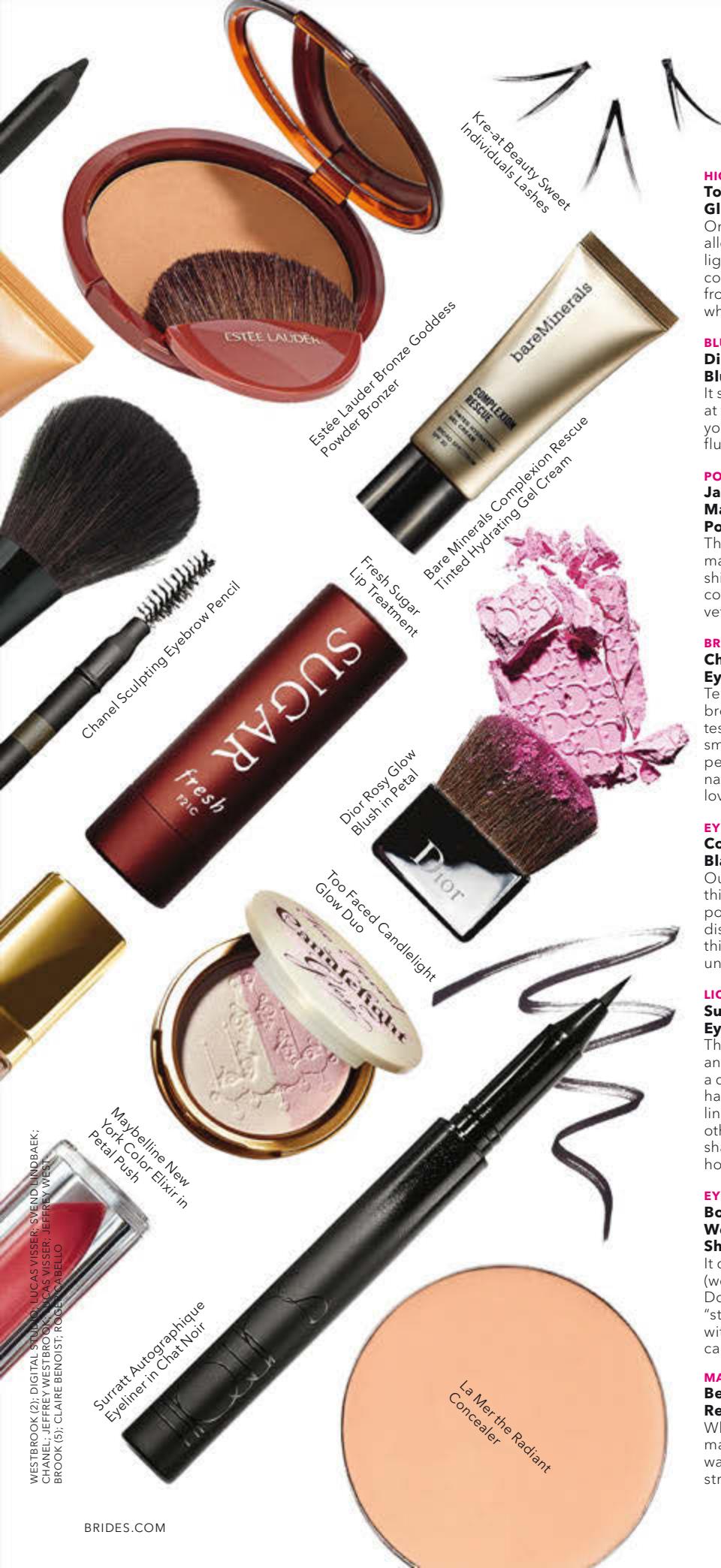
MAKEUP BRUSHES**Sonia Kashuk brushes, \$1.99 to \$19 each**

These bargain tools are as buttery soft as high-end versions our tester tried. Her fave: No. 29 Domed Blusher Brush (\$17, shown). "It's perfect for putting blush on the apples of your cheeks."

BRONZER**Estée Lauder Bronze Goddess Powder Bronzer, \$37**

The realistic color wowed our tester, as did the four different shades. Think just-back-from-the-honeymoon color—before you leave for the honeymoon.





HIGHLIGHTER
Too Faced Candlelight Glow Duo, \$30

One editor swore allegiance to this highlighter after a friend complimented her "lit-from-within" skin. (Well, who wouldn't, right?)

BLUSH
Dior Rosy Glow Blush, \$44

It seems crazy bright at first but actually gives you just a "romantic flush," says our tester.

POWDER
Jane Iredale Amazing Matte Loose Finishing Powder, \$31

This is great for setting makeup and halting shine, and unlike many competitors, it left a velvety, not Caspary, finish.

BROW PENCIL
Chanel Sculpting Eyebrow Pencil, \$29

Terrified of fake-looking brows? So was our tester until she tried this smudgy, goof-proof pencil. "It looks totally natural," she says. We love scoring a convert.

EYELINER PENCIL
CoverGirl Liquiline-Blast Eyeliner, \$7.99

Our tester raves about this soft pencil's staying power: "So many liners disappear by lunch, but this one isn't going away until you take it off."

LIQUID EYELINER
Surratt Autographique Eyeliner, \$42

The markerlike design and razor-thin tip make it a cinch for even shaky hands to draw a steady line. And unlike many others, "the jet-black shade stays jet-black for hours," says our tester.

EYE SHADOW
Bobbi Brown Long-Wear Cream Eye Shadow, \$26

It comes in 19 shades (we're partial to Sand Dollar, far left) and "stays in place all day without flaking or caking," says our tester.

MASCARA
Benefit They're Real! Mascara, \$23

While testing this mascara, our editor was stopped on the street twice—twice!—

by strangers complimenting her long, dark, Kardashian-like lashes.

WATERPROOF MASCARA
Trish McEvoy High Volume Mascara, \$31

The "tube" formula leaves lashes thick and ready to take on the most heartfelt toast. Says our tester, "It won't smudge even if you sleep in it. Which you shouldn't do, but still!"

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FALSE LASHES
Kre-at Beauty Sweet Individuals Lashes, \$18

Each kit has three different sizes of individual lash clusters. "It made for a dramatic but realistic look," says our tester.

LIP BALM
Fresh Sugar Lip Treatment, \$23

This salve wooed testers with its yummy scent and ability to take lips from parched to kissable in just a few swipes. (You're welcome, fiancés.)

LIPSTICK
Chanel Rouge Allure Intense Long-Wear Lip Colour, \$35

Miracle! A long-wearing lipstick that feels good on. "You get lots of pigment without feeling like there's gunk on your lips," says our tester.

LIP GLOSS
Maybelline New York Color Elixir, \$8.99

The user-friendly angled applicator and richly pigmented formula won high marks. "The gloss is really shiny, and it's amazing in photos," says one tester.



LAURA MERCIER CRÈME DE PISTACHE BODY SCRUB: **"THIS POWERED THROUGH MY DRY SKIN—EVEN THE SCALY PATCHES ON MY KNEES."**

BODY WASH
Dove Purely Pampering Pistachio Cream Body Wash, **\$7.49**

Our tester's skin felt so soft after using this cleanser, she didn't even need lotion. And it smells good enough to eat. (But, um, don't.)

ANTIPERSPIRANT
Secret Clinical Strength Invisible Solid, **\$7.99**

This kept our testers dry (and BO free!) during big work presentations, sweltering days on the subway, and even a spin class.

SUNSCREEN
Neutrogena Ultra Sheer Dry-Touch Sunscreen, **\$9.49**

So many sunscreens are pasty, greasy, and gross. Not this one. "It's completely unsunscreeny—more like a lightweight body lotion," says one editor. "I love that it absorbs in seconds, so it's exactly what you want for everyday protection."

RAZOR
Venus Snap, **\$13**
This five-bladed razor left our testers' legs super silky. Its scaled-down size—



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easy to pack for the honeymoon—won them over as well.

BODY SCRUB
Laura Mercier Crème de Pistache Body Scrub, **\$50**

Yes, it smells like a heavenly dessert, but it's mighty too. "Most scrubs I've used are very grainy, so I didn't think a creamy formula would do much, but this powered through my dry skin—even the scaly patches on my knees."

SELF-TANNER
Lancôme Flash Bronzer Tinted Self-Tanning Leg Gel, **\$42**

Everyone knows who's testing tanners; they often wind up wearing the (orange, splotchy) results of the duds. That's why this one stood out: The streak-free cream adds believable, golden color minus the Oompa Loompa effect. (And despite the name, it's not just for legs; we use it all over.)

BODY COVER-UP
Dermablend Leg and Body Cover, **\$31**

Our tester used this concealer to blur a burn mark on her arm—and no one was the wiser! It covers just about anything, whether it's a bruise, a scar, or that tattoo you semiregret.

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BODY LOTION
Vaseline Spray + Go Moisturizer, **\$7.99**

For those who find slathering to be a chore, this genius breakthrough delivers soft skin via a light aerosol mist. "It takes literally 10 seconds to apply," says our tester, who won't be going back to the bottle any time soon. "It's now my all-time-favorite lotion."

TEETH WHITENER
Crest 3D White White-strips Luxe, **\$65**

A lot of products help you get whiter teeth, but few do so as pleasantly as this one does. Our tester loved that the strips didn't taste bad, were easy to apply, and didn't slip. "I even drank white wine through a straw when I wore them, and they didn't go anywhere," she says.

BEACHY SCENT
Child Perfume, **\$59**

This indie fragrance has been a low-key cult favorite for years, but now we're spilling the secret: The sultry, almost-tropical blend of vanilla, jasmine, and musk drives guys nuts. (Our tester also couldn't get enough of its roller-ball tube: "Very honeymoon friendly!")

OF BRIDES EXPECT TO WEAR THEIR BIG-DAY SCENT FOR THE REST OF THEIR LIVES.

SWEET SCENT
Ralph Lauren Midnight Romance, **\$94**

Think fruity scents can't be sophisticated? We kind of did too until we got a whiff of this one. Why it works: Freesia and vanilla temper the juicy raspberry and lychee, helping it feel all grown up.

ROMANTIC SCENT
Miss Dior Blooming Bouquet, **\$98**

Orange adds a zesty touch to this peony-rose blend. "It's the quintessential wedding-day perfume," says one smitten tester.

FRESH SCENT
Chloé Eau de Parfum, **\$130**

This feminine combo of rose, magnolia, and peony is "the perfect pick for women who like their flowery perfumes to be light and airy, not overpowering," says a now-diehard fan.

SEXY SCENT
Elizabeth and James Nirvana Black, **\$75**

With notes of violet, sandalwood, and vanilla, it's exotic, a little spicy—and totally gorgeous. "I feel like a mysterious femme fatale every time I wear it," says our tester.

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HAIRSPRAY
**L'Oréal Paris
Elnett Satin
Strong Hold
Hairspray, \$15**

This fave of runway stylists holds updos like a dream, and our tester raves that you can brush through hair at the end of the night with no flaking or crunching.



FLATIRON
**BaByliss Pro
Nano Titanium
1.5-inch
Straightening Iron,
\$130**

Wide plates make this portable tool ideal for wrangling long or thick hair.

"After I used it, my hair looked much silkier, and the ends had more shape," says our tester. "Someone even asked if I'd just had a blowout." Victory!



CURLING IRON
Sultra the Bombshell 1.5-inch Rod Curling Iron, \$130

"Pretty, beachy waves that last all day!" cheers our tester, who was wowed by the easy-to-use design—and the results. "They held their shape but never looked overdone. Yay!"



VOLUMIZER
**John Frieda Luxurious Volume
Fine to Full Blow-Out Spray, \$9.99**

Here's your ticket to big, sexy, Victoria's Secret-model volume. Our tester loved the lasting body (and killer selfie) that she got thanks to this pre-blow-dry spray.



SHINE SPRAY
**L'Oréal Paris
Sleek It Strand
Smoother Serum-Spray, \$4.99**

This weightless mist marks an end to the string of heavy, greasy serums that had filled our tester's trash can. "My curls looked glossy immediately—and hours later," she says.



TEXTURIZER
**Oribe Dry
Texturizing
Spray, \$42**

Beyond getting high marks for its "clean, fresh, and addicting" scent, this spray is a godsend for reviving second-day hair. Add a few pumps, scrunch, then step back and admire your sexy texture.



CURL TAMER
**Pantene Pro-V
Anti-Frizz Curl
Crème, \$5.99**

Curl products are often a study in frustration: Too thick and they weigh hair down; too thin and they don't do much of anything. This one strikes the perfect balance, says our tester: "It went on smooth, defined my curls, and held back frizz—even on a rainy day."



DEFRIZZER
**Tresemme
Keratin Smooth
Smoothing
Crème Serum,
\$4.99**

"If you're going to be outside in steamy weather, here's your new BFF," says one editor. The lightweight cream prevents frizz on all hair types, without any greasiness.



**DEEP
CONDITIONER**
**Kérastase
Nutritive
Masquintense, \$63**

Bring your colored, your flatironed, your damaged hair! Frayed ends are no match for this thick, rich treatment. "I now use it twice a week, and my hair is so much softer," says one editor.



**SHAMPOO AND
CONDITIONER**

**Suave
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Moroccan
Infusion Shine
Shampoo and Conditioner, \$2.87 each**

Even the biggest shampoo snobs fell for this affordable, creamy, argan-oil-infused duo, which beat out several much pricier brands. "After I showered, my always-tangly hair was soft and easy to comb," says one editor. "And the shine lasted for days."



BLOW-DRYER
**Sedu Revolu-tion Pro
4000i Hair
Dryer, \$250**

Because brides have better things to do than blow-dry their hair all morning, we present this mighty machine. "It has a ton of power!" raves our tester. "It dried my hair in half the time of the others I tested."

NAILS

GEL-LACQUER KIT
Red Carpet Manicure Gel Polish Starter Kit, \$42

The gel process takes a little more time than your standard mani, but the wet-looking color stays chip free for over a week! This set comes with one polish shade, but you can buy more separately—tons more, actually, because unlike many gel lines, Red Carpet's has 100 hues to choose from, so you'll find something fun for every event on your schedule.



NAIL POLISH

These formulas were tops with our testers because they went on easily and lasted way longer than the others. Our favorite shades:

Sally Hansen Complete Salon Manicure in Almost Almond, \$6.59, a pretty neutral that's perfect for your ceremony; **OPI Nail Lacquer in Big Apple Red, \$9.50**, a classic, flattering scarlet that looks hot for the bachelorette; and **Essie Nail Polish in Mint Candy Apple, \$8.50**, the unanimous pick for a honeymoon pedicure—an instant vacation for your toes.



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Q My bridesmaids will all be wearing the same dress. Should they wear the same hairstyle too? Will it look weird if they don't?

You know how girls who wear school uniforms find ways to make them unique, using accessories and makeup? Your bridesmaids should be able to express their individuality too. Letting them each choose their own hairstyle lets them show who they are. Plus, they'll feel more comfortable. Your girlfriends are unique; no harm in letting them show it!



Amazing Cosmetics Amazing Concealer, \$42



Q I'm terrified that I'm going to get a big zit on my big day! Have you ever had a pimple show up at the worst time ever? Any secrets for making one disappear?

Oh, gosh, I totally get this. I don't think there's anything that can bring me to my knees in ridiculous vanity like a zit. I shouldn't be so bothered by them, but it's my hang-up. And since they have different causes (stress, hormones, et cetera), I've never found a universal way to prevent them. So I usually cover them using concealer. My company, Flower Beauty, has a great stick called Skincognito, and Amazing Cosmetics Amazing Concealer is also really good! The key is to find a formula that's creamy but lasting. Have one handy for emergencies (along with some pressed powder to dust on top to help anchor it), and that should ease your mind. But remember: Your smile will steal the focus from anything else. I promise!



Q My green eyes are my favorite feature. How can I use makeup to play them up?

I have green eyes too! I find that the best way to enhance them is to use a colored shadow that makes them pop. First, define them with dark-brown liner on the waterlines and lash lines. Then add your shadow. Earth tones go well with other earth tones, so try a smoky taupe, deep aubergine, or sage green. Subtle is always good for the big day, so go light and let those green eyes shine bright and happy with love.

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The party guru (Oprah and Jennifer Aniston are fans) sets the mood at a wedding in Lake Como, Italy.

PLAN LIKE A PRO WEDDING PLANNER

Celebrity event designer Colin Cowie helps you handle big-day etiquette like a boss

A bride can have multiple showers but only one engagement party. By tradition, guests should give you a gift for each event they attend, as well as the wedding itself.

But do not expect people to spend more than they can afford. Be polite and make sure there's a range of prices on your registry.

If you invite Mary to your engagement party, you must invite her to your wedding. After all, you're inviting only your nearest and dearest. And why would you invite 150 people to your engagement party and just 100 people to your wedding?

Make sure the RSVP-by date is a month to six weeks before your wedding. When should people RSVP? Immediately! If someone is tardy—incidentally rude—the bride, the groom, the maid of honor, *someone* should email her to confirm attendance.

Not everyone in your bridal party needs a plus-one. If it's someone your brother

plans on spending years with, fine. But you don't want to meet a new person at your wedding unless he or she is a *really* significant other.

Don't schedule the ceremony and reception several hours apart. You do not get to take up three quarters of your guests' day! And you shouldn't ask them to dress in black tie at noon or mill around for hours in between. **If your parents are divorced, don't force them to sit together.** Do invite their significant others, and seat them apart. If his parents are divorced too, you may need four parents' tables.

The sweetheart table is too ridiculous for words. Go sit with your family and friends! You have the rest of your lives to be by yourselves.

Avoid receiving lines. They create a terrible bottleneck when everybody is heading to cocktails. It's better to go from table

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THE REGISTRY SPLURGE
"A 100-plus-bottle wine humidor or a set of rocks glasses from Baccarat."



THE WEDDING FAVOR
"A hangover kit for the morning after. So necessary."



THE GETAWAY
"Loved the white bicycles that Solange and Alan Ferguson rode to their ceremony! But if you're going for grand, there's nothing like a vintage Rolls."

to table and thank every guest for coming. A speech from the couple is also classy.

A cash bar is not OK in my book. Better to have a smaller group and entertain nicely. Open bar till we drop. Till. We. Drop.

If the bouquet and garter tosses are done well, they don't have to be tacky. Do them at the end of the night, when everyone's been drinking and you're looking for some energy. As long as he's not groping you under your dress, it shouldn't be an issue.

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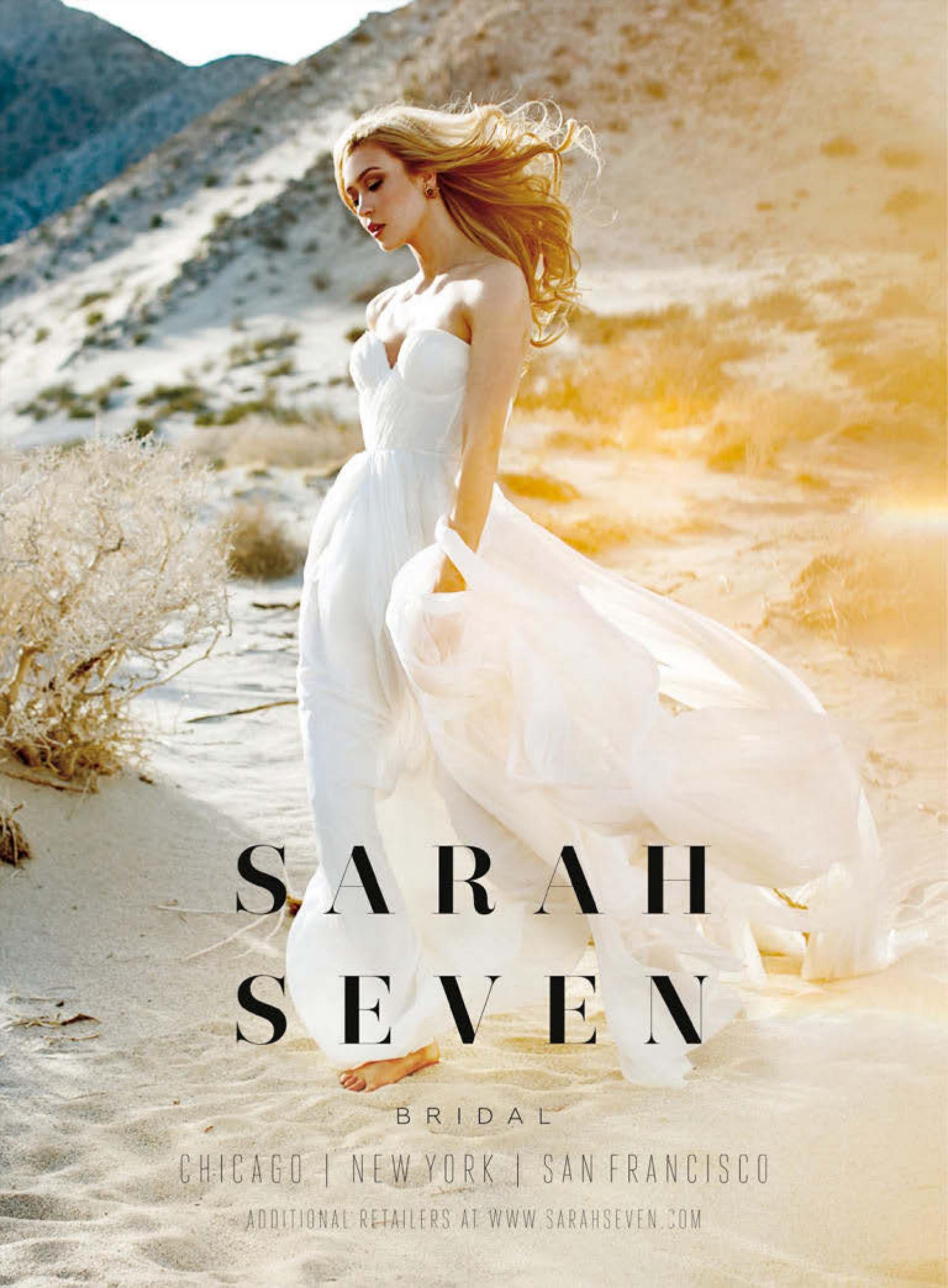


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STEP ONE

KNOW YOUR CATERERS

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A preferred caterer Many venues without a kitchen staff (museums, historic buildings) have a list of preferred caterers, and using

an off-list pick may carry a penalty of around \$500. Upscale locations tend to prefer pricier vendors, but you can often negotiate.

An outside hire If you're obsessed with a local sushi or barbecue place, you may be able to serve its food at your party. (Check whether your venue allows it and the restaurant has the resources.) In rare cases, stealing a restaurant's chef and staff means it'll have to close for the night and it's on you to pay for every customer it misses out on at the restaurant.

STEP TWO

DECIDE HOW YOU WANT THE FOOD SERVED

Sit-down meal Pros: A plated meal brings structure to the reception and makes it easy to curate a menu. Con: You'll need a server for every 10 guests, which can get costly.

Buffet Pros: Self-service cuts your waitstaff in half compared with a seated meal, and there's less lag time on the dance floor. Cons: If some dishes are more popular than others,

you'll end up with wasted food. Also, people don't love standing in line for dinner.

Cocktail party Pros: Small plates and stations lets you serve inventive dishes you love, and skipping the seating chart makes your reception all about the dancing. Cons: A party longer than two hours can cost more than a sit-down dinner since the servers—you'll need one per 25 guests—will be working for the whole party. Plus, you'll pay for every passed tray. (You'll want 12 to 14 hors d'oeuvres per guest.)

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How long do I want it to be open? The bar should be up and running when guests arrive at cocktail hour and shut down no sooner than an hour before the party ends.

How many bartenders should I have? You'll need one for every 30 to 40 guests. For a 150-person party, set up a main bar and one satellite bar. Add another for every 50 additional guests.

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ROAST CHICKEN
sage stuffing, celery root, baby brussels-sprout petal, black trumpet mushroom



CROQUE MADAME
sunny-side quail egg, griddled Gruyère, jamón, nutmeg, brioche



CHARRED VENISON
ruby beets, celeriac gratin, hen-of-the-woods mushrooms



NANTUCKET BAY SCALLOPS
crispy parsnip pancakes, green apple, dill

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don't run out of wine! Estimate just under one bottle per person to cover the entire reception. So if you're inviting 150 adults, you'll have 12 cases (12 bottles per case). Order five of white and seven of red—unless it's hot outside. Then you'll want six of each on hand. If you're serving only wine and beer, add a case each of red and white. **HAVING A CHAMPAGNE TOAST?** Budget for 10 to 15 magnums of bubbly for 150 guests.

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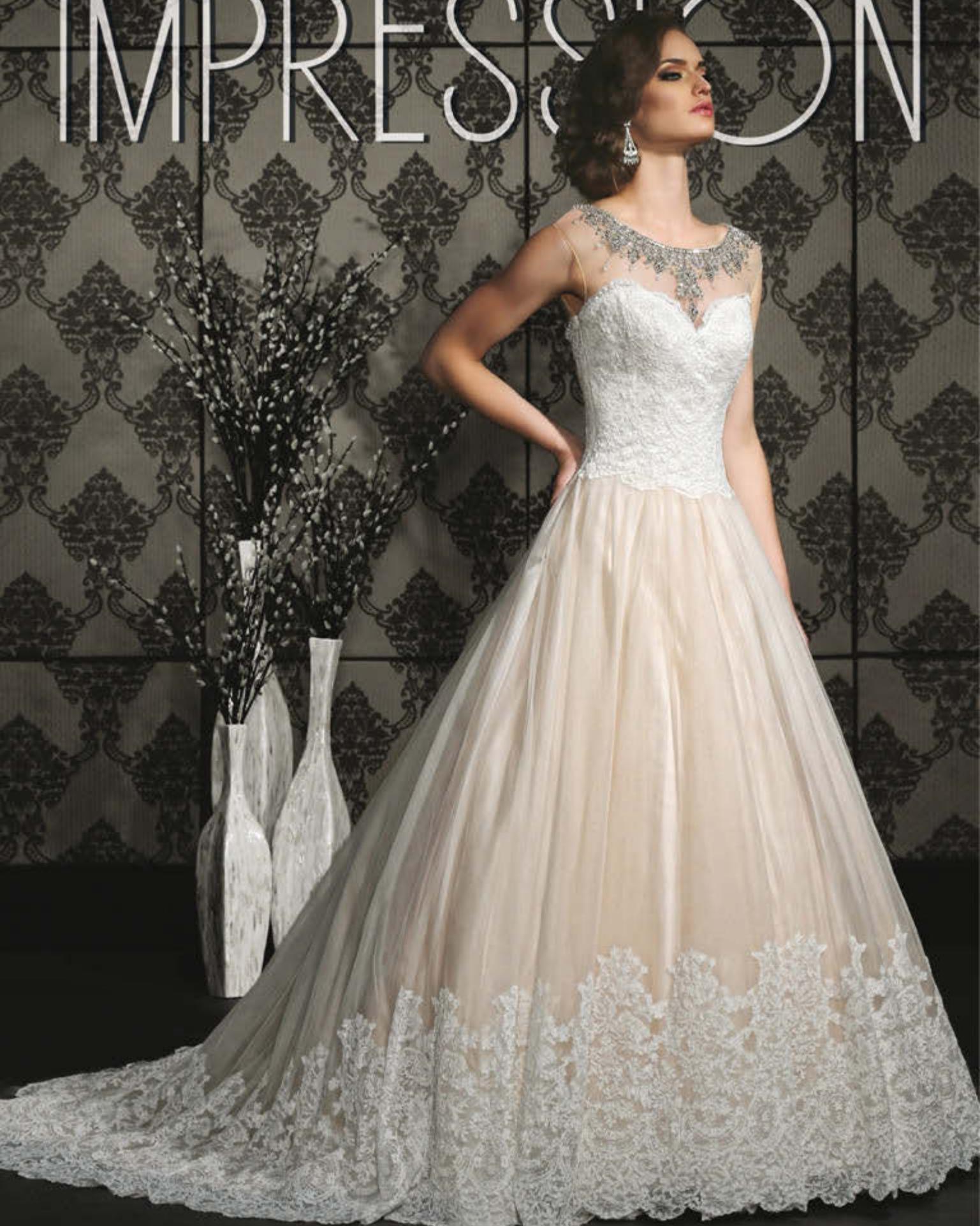
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Three top caterers designed their dream wedding meal. Steal their secrets!



New classics To update a traditional menu, find twists on tried-and-true dishes, says chef John Karangis of Union Square Events in New York. Swap out mozzarella in a caprese salad for a rich burrata, or serve of-the-moment branzino in place of halibut.



Whether you're bringing your own wine or sending a list of preferred labels to your caterer, consider these sure-fire hits, curated by Chicago sommelier Fernando Betata.

WHITES

Fritz Haag Riesling, 2012 or 2013, Mosel, Germany, \$24 "This crisp wine has a lightweight-approved 7.5 percent alcohol by volume (most wines are about 12 percent), which means your guests can drink their fill with dinner and still keep their heads when they hit the dance floor."

pour crowd-pleasing vino

Foodie's paradise The key to a memorable menu is restaurant-style presentation, says caterer Elaina Vasquez of Chicago's Boutique Bites. Give a salad with brie a kick with persimmon, or pair glazed doughnuts with an elevated gelato flavor like hazelnut.

Meatless marvel A menu doesn't have to include filet mignon to be hearty and satisfying. Whet vegan appetites with grilled polenta or lentil cake, suggests Adam Hiner of Eco Caters in San Diego. Each lends veggie dishes flavor and heft.

Bourgogne Blanc, Roche de Bellene, Burgundy, France, \$19 "White Burgundy from a small producer will usually taste as good as the best bottles from more expensive regions."

Venica Sauvignon, Collio Friuli, Italy, \$25 "The bright citrus fruits, minerality, and acidity of this complex sauvignon blanc make it easy to enjoy."

RED

Pago Venta la Ossa, Spain, \$18-\$24 "Sixty-plus-year-old Tempranillo vines deliver concentrated bold flavors that go down smooth."

Palmina Barbera, Santa Barbara, California, \$23 "Originally grown in Italy, this grape is packed with bold, fruity flavor."

Alain Graillot, Red Crozes-Hermitage, France, \$30 "This blend is spicy and elegant. Plus, it's farmed organically."

PRO TIP Wine markups from caterers and venues can be hefty. Hotels usually have the highest hikes, at about three times the price of a liquor store. Caterers usually charge twice the retail cost. Bottom line: Always ask if you can BYOB.

DINNER MENU

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GRILLED PERSIMMON + MOLTEN BRIE FARMER'S SALAD
mâche lettuce, drunken grapes, pomegranate vinaigrette, panko-dusted warm brie

ENTRÉE

HERB DUSTED LAMB LOIN
braised lamb agnolotti, sweet potato puree, rosemary lamb jus

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AVOID THE BUDGET BUSTERS

Stick to the food plan. If you make changes after your caterer's final menu deadline (usually a month before the wedding), some venues will charge a late fee.

Handle your head count. Give your catering manager a final guest list as early as you can. Guests added less than two weeks before the wedding might have a penalty of an additional 50 percent per head. Week-of additions can be twice the price!

Resist the urge to run over. If you extend your reception and the catering staff has to stay late to break down the room, you'll probably have to pay each member for the extra hours of work. And if staffers have to return to the venue the next day to finish cleaning up, you could be dinged for up to a grand.

Put These Into Your Catering Contract

◻ How much staff will be provided. In addition to your servers, factor in one captain, or supervisor, per hundred guests.

◻ Special meal options. Have guests indicate food allergies or restrictions on their RSVPs and give your catering manager a heads-up if you know any specific guests' needs ahead of time. And always include a vegetarian option!

◻ What the little ones are eating. If you've got lots of kids coming to your wedding, the caterer should be able to whip up their meals for half the price of adults'. Request a separate menu for kids during

your tasting and figure out how many meals will be needed. And don't forget them during cocktail hour! Small kid-friendly plates will keep everyone happy.

◻ What the vendors are eating. You'll need to feed the catering staff, your band or DJ, your event planner, and any other vendors who will be on site throughout your party (assistants included). Most are happy with a buffet in the kitchen—about half the price of each guest's meal.

◻ Rental details. Caterers should include a few choices of colored cotton linens, and many offer colored glassware and plates. Basic rentals start at \$65 per person (including

tables, chairs, linens, and tableware) but go up to \$200 for, say, silk tablecloths and Chiavari chairs.

◻ The day's timeline. Indicate what time you'd like the reception space to be "room ready" to avoid a backdrop of half-set tables in any pre-event photos.

◻ Additional fees and penalties. You may pay extra for cake cutting and, if you're bringing your own wine, corkage. These and any other extra fees should be spelled out in writing, as should exactly how much it'll cost you if you deviate from the contract. (See "Avoid the Budget Busters" at left.)

remember to tip! Ask your catering manager if your staffing fee includes a service charge. (Most in-house caterers' do; outside caterers' may not.) If you're responsible for the tip, budget for 15 to 20 percent of staffing charges, or about \$60 per staff member, including the catering manager. Before the wedding, organize tip money in labeled envelopes for the catering manager to distribute. If you don't have a planner to hand them off, let a bridesmaid or responsible family member do the honors.

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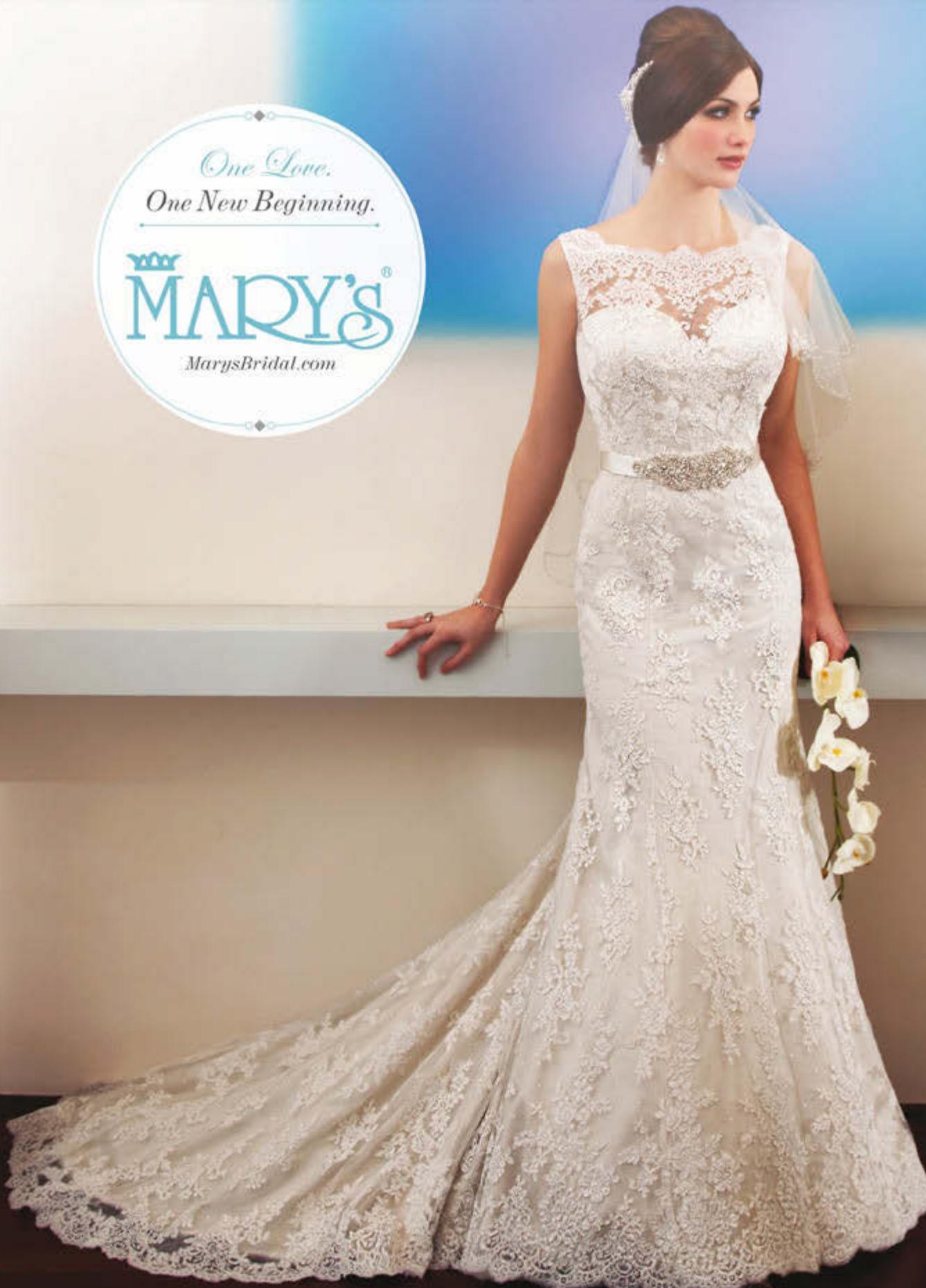
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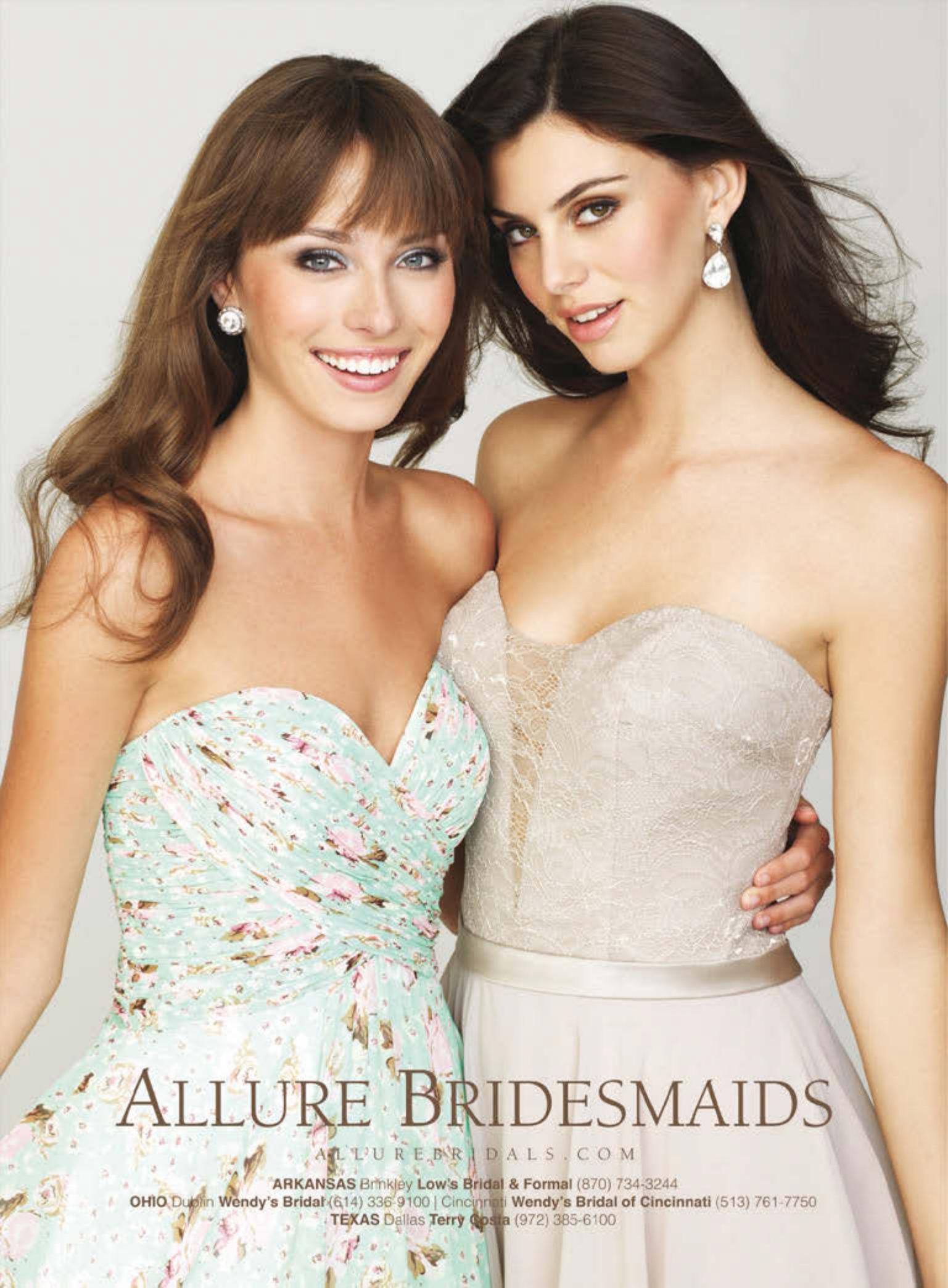


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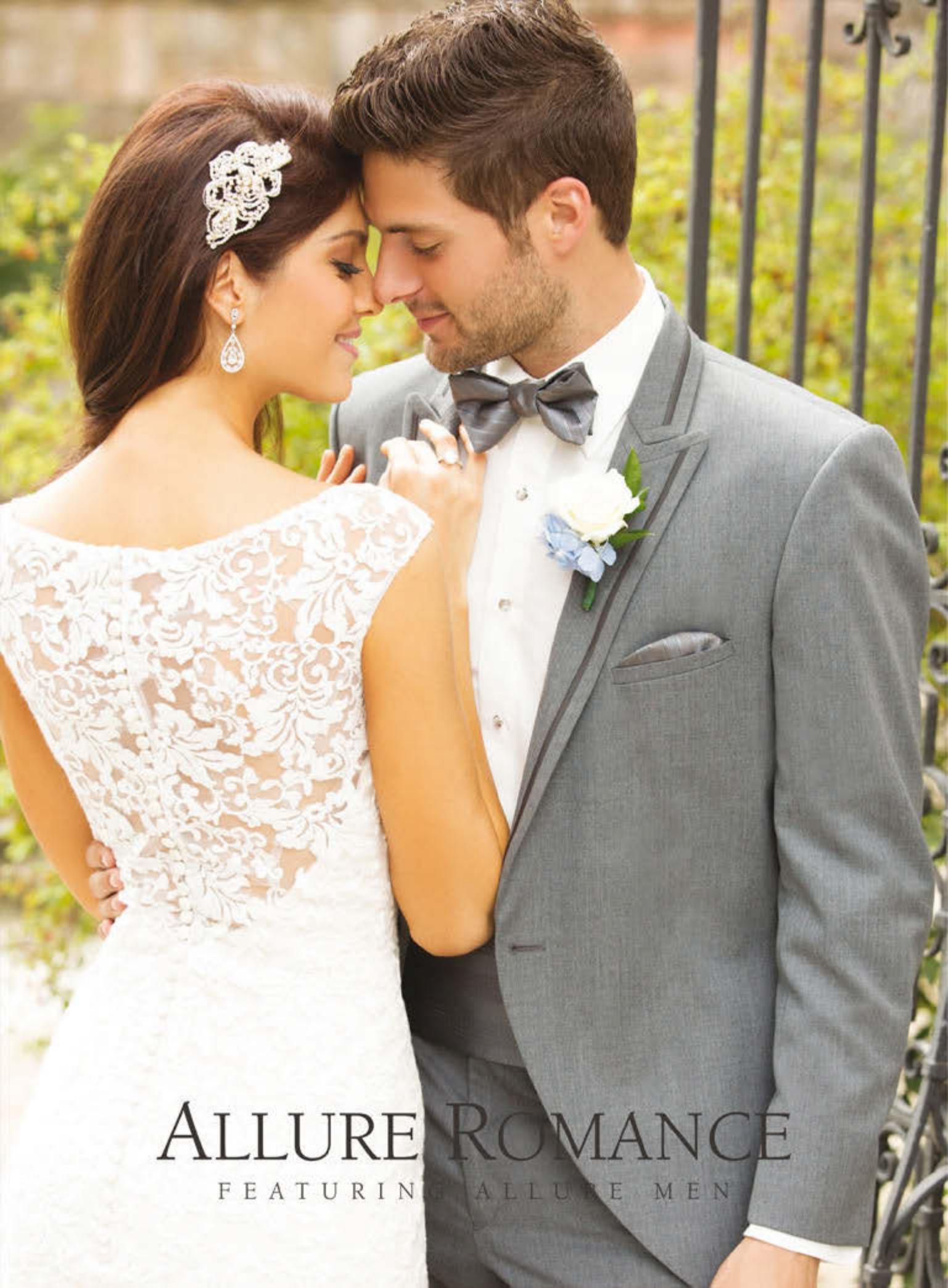
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Next stop, Capri, off the Amalfi Coast. Built into cliffs rising vertically out of the Tyrrhenian Sea, Capri is the place to celeb spot (Beyoncé and Jay Z are fans) and shop for leather goods and made-to-measure capri pants. (Yep, they're named for the island.) Or you can just sip limoncello by the gorge pool at Capri Palace Hotel (*doubles from \$450; capripalace.com*). *Cin cin.*

—Sherri Eisenberg

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LONDON + THE COTSWOLDS

Brit It girls like Cara Delevingne and Georgia May Jagger rule the London scene. So after a day of museum hopping and Top Shop-ing, hit a fash-pack fave like Chiltern Firehouse, André Balazs's fire station turned hotel and restaurant. When you're partied out, retreat to the very discreet Goring Hotel (doubles from \$575; thegoring.com), where Duchess Kate prepped for her big day.

Next, catch a train to the Cotswolds, a land of green rolling hills, cozy pubs, and straw-roofed cottages. Retire to the 30-room Cowley Manor (doubles from \$245; cowleymanor.com), a country-house hotel with hipster leanings. (Think mod interiors and a sleek concrete spa.) Forgot your wellies? Just grab a pair of Hunters from the rack outside. —Heidi Mitchell



Get the lay of London with a cruise on the Thames.



Bucolic scenes like this are why so many chic couples unwind in the Cotswolds.



Nelson Mandela gave his first speech as a free man at Cape Town's Old City Hall.

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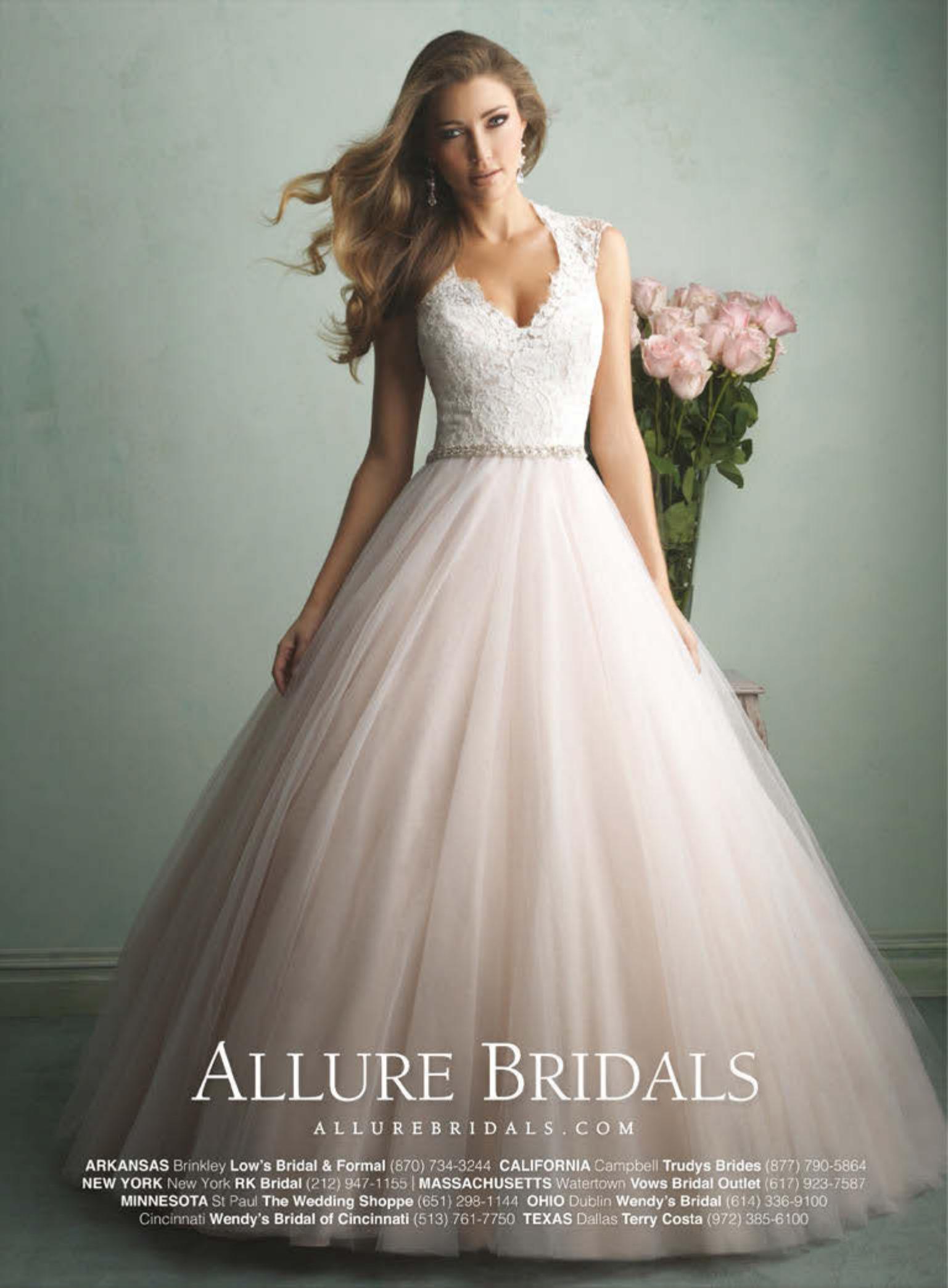
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Break up the trip home with a stop in Dubai. New hotels, restaurants, and clubs open here almost daily. (Don't worry, you can sleep on your flight home.) Take in the scene from the top of the world's tallest building, Burj Khalifa, then seek sanctuary at One & Only the Palm (doubles from \$600; oneandonlyresorts.com), where private beaches and a serene suite make for a sexy city adventure. —Jackie Caradonio

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Then kick back on Kiawah, a barrier island known for its unspoiled beaches, pink sunsets, and the Sanctuary at Kiawah Island Golf Resort (doubles from \$525; kiawahresort.com), a plantation-style property that's won every award in the book. Don't miss dinner at the down-home Jasmine Porch. The crab bisque is amazing, y'all. —Stirling Kelso



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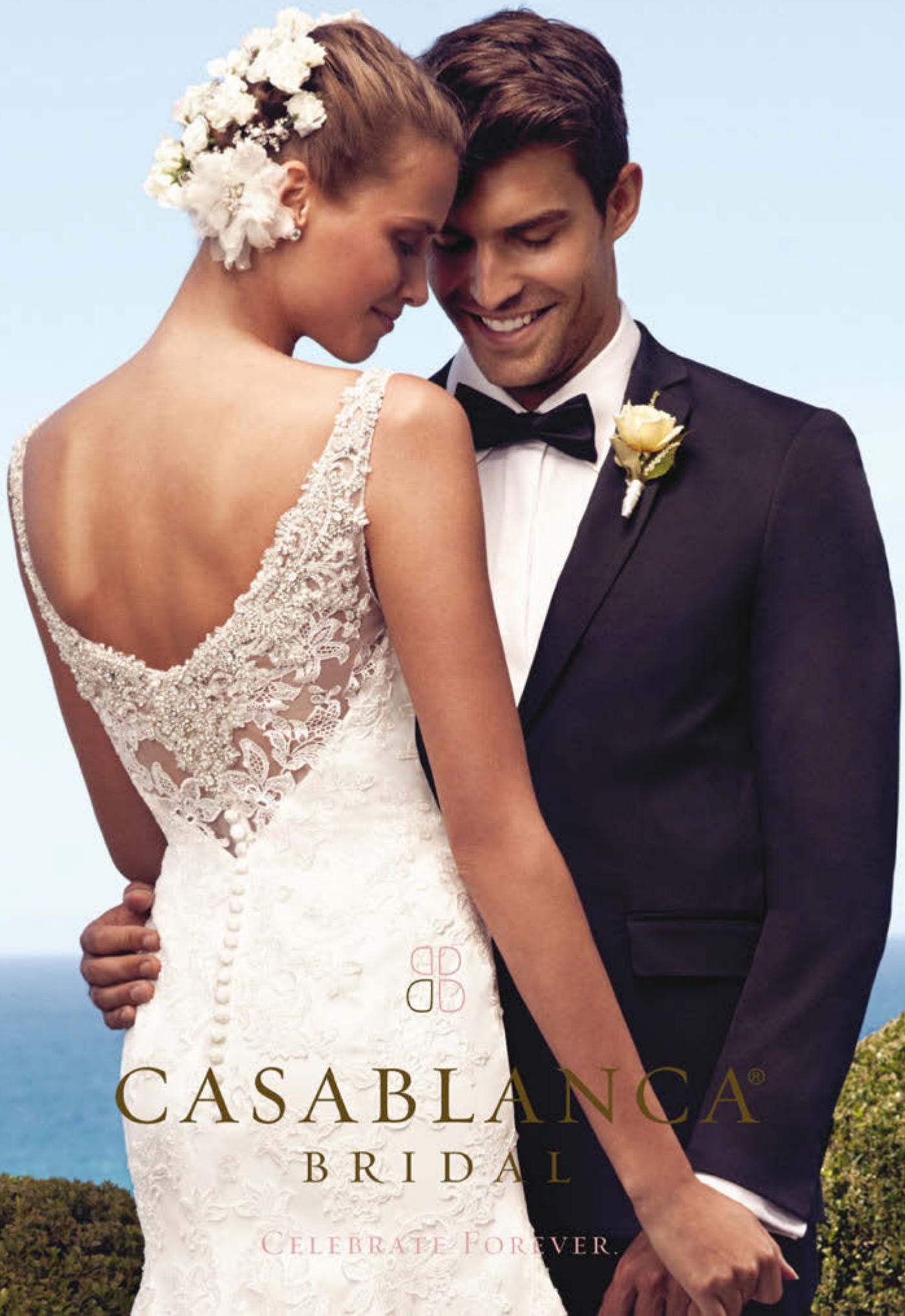


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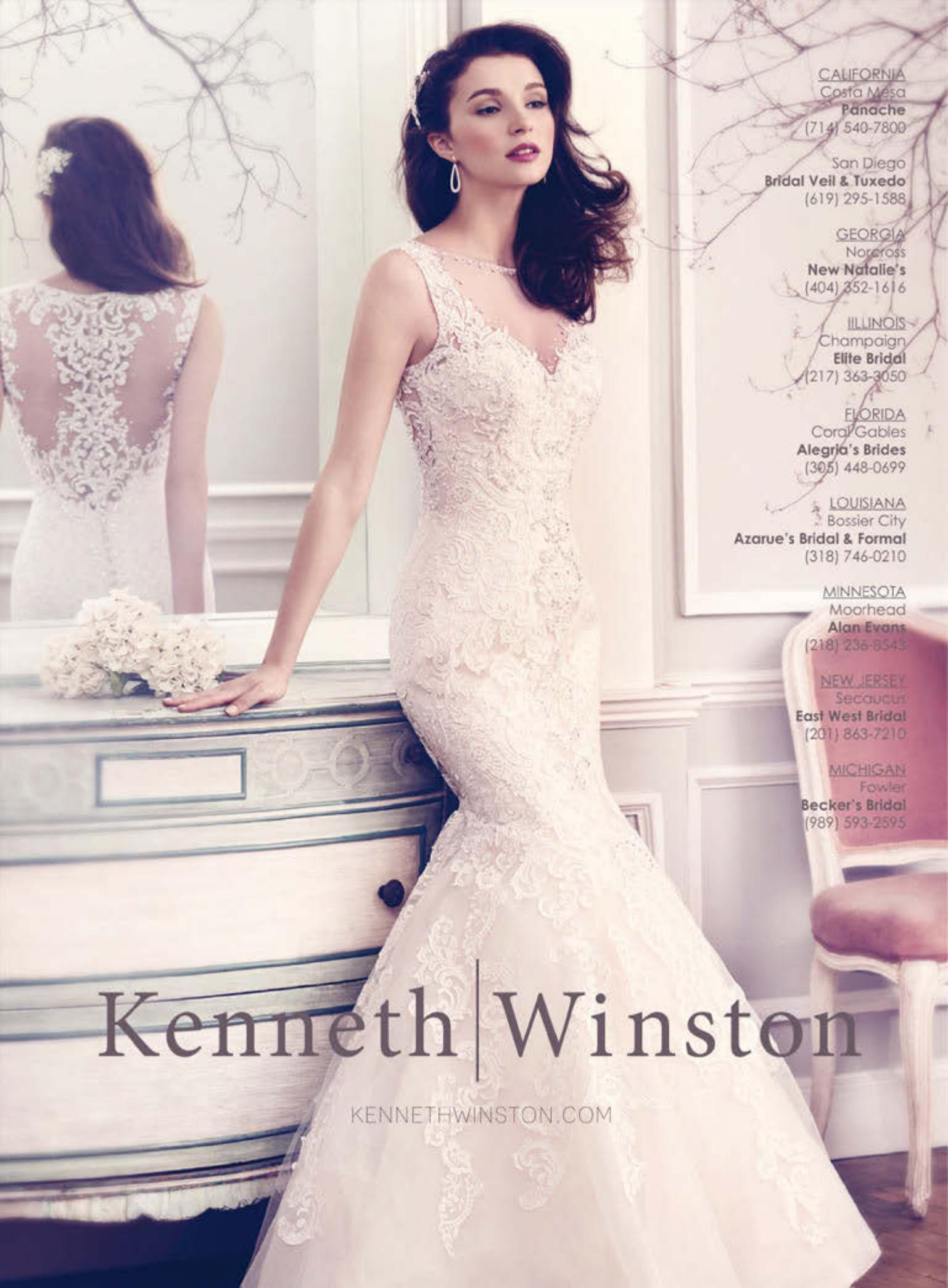
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A woman with blonde hair is shown in profile, facing left. She is wearing a white, sleeveless wedding dress with a lace overlay on the shoulders and back. A large, ornate floral headband is placed on her hair. The background is a light-colored, floral-patterned wall.

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EQUAL PARTS SEXY AND ROMANTIC, THESE EASY, BREEZY TEXTURED GOWNS ARE HEATING UP THE WEDDING AISLE

PHOTOGRAPHS BY
NOE DEWITT
STYLING BY
DEBORAH WATSON



Embroidered
silk-tulle gown
with French lace
and mother-of-
pearl appliqués,
\$4,300, YolanCris;
yolancris.com.



Tulle gown with
flower appliqués,
price upon request,
Vera Wang Bride;
verawang.com.
Sweater, Ryan Roche;
ryan-roche.com.
Hat, Wendy Nichol;
wendynichol.com.
Ring, Eva Fehren;
evafehren.com.



Draped silk-chiffon goddess gown with cut-out details, price upon request, Reem Acra Bridal Couture; reemacra.com. Blusher, Gigi Burris; gigiburris.com.



Embroidered lace illusion cap-sleeved sheath, \$6,990, Monique Lhuillier; monique-lhuillier.com. Hat, Ryan Roche; ryan-roche.com. Rings, Eva Fehren; evafehren.com.

Layered tulle skirt,
\$1,250, Watters;
watters.com. Jacket,
Brunello Cucinelli;
brunellocucinelli.com.
Bra top, Tess Giberson;
tessgiberson.com.





Silk-crepe-de-chine dress with Swarovski buttons, \$2,950, Houghton Bride; houghtonnyc.com. Hat, Janessa Leone; janessaleone.com. Necklace, Dannijo; dannijo.com. Boots, Justin Boots; justinboots.com.



Fine-crochet
and lace dress,
\$4,300, YolanCris;
yolancris.com.

ABOUT THAT BACKDROP

The second our creative team arrived for this photo shoot, it was awestruck by **Tanque Verde Ranch** in Tucson, Arizona, a dream-wedding location full of pink adobe architecture, dramatic desert light, rocky hiking trails, and giant saguaro cacti. "It's epically beautiful," says *Brides* creative director Jenifer Walter. "There's literally not a bad angle on the property." Other perks at the luxe resort include horseback riding, star-gazing, and insane food, says photo director Nicole Hyatt: "What dude ranch serves gluten-free biscuits and quinoa?!"

HAIR Noah Hatton/Judy Casey for Redken Cutler

MAKEUP Paige Smitherman/Walter Schupfer for Nars Cosmetics

PRODUCTION Stephen Price/County Fair Productions

FLORIST LaFleur Plantscapes
LOCATION Tanque Verde Ranch

Plunging-V-neck gown
with hand-beaded
netting over silk organza
with tulle A-line skirt,
price upon request,
Dennis Basso for Klein-
feld; kleinfeldbridal.com.
Earrings and bracelet,
De Beers; debeers.com.
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STYLING BY
JENNY CAPITAIN

Crepe sheath
with tulle bodice
and embroidered
lace appliqués,
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Sanchez; Andrea's
for the Bride,
310-273-8160.
Earrings, Hearts
on Fire; hearts
onfire.com.



Chantilly-lace sheath with cameo-pink underlay, illusion sleeves, and lace cuffs, \$7,040, Ines Di Santo; inesdisanto.com. Earrings and ring, Hearts on Fire; heartsongfire.com. Clutch, Badgley Mischka; [S&T Famous Bags](http://S&Tfamousbags.com), 718-375-2000.



A full-length photograph of Mila De Wit, a young woman with long brown hair, laughing joyfully. She is wearing a white, sleeveless, floor-length gown with a high neckline and a fitted waist. A decorative belt with feathers and crystals is cinched at her waist. The gown has a subtle train. She is standing against a light blue background, with her arms raised in a celebratory pose. A small tattoo on her left wrist is visible.

Silk-crepe illusion dress with side cutouts and crystal-and-feather belt (sold separately), \$2,409, Jim Hjelm; jlmcouture.com.

Congratulations, Mila!

Our gorgeous model, Mila De Wit, looks pretty comfortable in these gowns, no? Fitting, as she's about to walk the aisle herself! The Dutch bride-to-be will be tying the knot in Surrey, England, in July. And as for her gown, she found it totally by accident. "I'd been grocery shopping, and I didn't want to go home because my fiancé had band practice at our apartment, and they make so much noise," she says. Instead, she wandered into a little vintage shop, where she spotted a one-of-a-kind ivory organza dress from the '20s that fit her perfectly. "The yellowing buttons were the only thing that needed to be altered," she says. "It will be perfect for my English-country wedding!"



Net halter gown with illusion neckline, lace appliqués, and studded trim, \$3,080, Hayley Paige; jlmcouture.com.

HAIR Nicolas Eldin/Art Department using Oribe

MAKEUP Cynthia Sobek/Art Department using Chanel Rouge Coco

MANICURE Holly

Falcone for Chanel Le Vernis/Kate Ryan

SET DESIGN Theresa Rivera/Mary Howard Studio

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stripes



*Victoria Beckham
Spring 2015*

For his take on this graphic sheath, baker Jay Muse of Lulu Cake Boutique in Scarsdale, New York, chose to use the stripes sparingly. "It's more modern if you avoid pattern overkill," he says.

THE WELL-DRESSED CAKE

We asked six bakers to design confections inspired by our favorite looks from the spring ready-to-wear runways. The results are almost too pretty to eat. Almost.

PHOTOGRAPHS BY **ROMULO YANES** | STYLING BY **PAIGE HICKS**

2

botanical



Erdem
Spring 2015



"The dress was inspired by a botanist's drawings, and I collect those kinds of prints!" said Washington, D.C., baker Maggie Austin, who created a near replica using two hot wedding-cake trends: rice-paper flowers and "windowpanes."

3

garden



Luisa Beccaria
Spring 2015

Lauren Bohl
White of A White
Cake in New
York City used
pressed white
fondant to repre-
sent this gown's
lace fabric and a
cluster of gum-
paste blossoms to
stand in for the
flower appliqués.





4

gilt



*Altuzarra
Spring 2015*

"My goal was to capture the flow of the fabric in gold gum paste," says Betsy Thorleifson of Nine Cakes in Brooklyn. Concentrating the leaves on top, she lifted their edges to add softness and dimension.

5

lace



Valentino
Spring 2015

Brooklyn baker Emily Lael Aumiller of Lael Cakes can replicate the lace on any dress using custom silicone molds. "It's pricey, but you can cut costs by using smaller bits of lace or decorating just one tier," she says.



6

watercolor



Julien Macdonald
Spring 2015

"I love my cakes tall and narrow—like this dress!" says Stevi Auble of Hey There, Cupcake! in San Diego. She used 3-D cutouts to add an avant-garde edge to her hand-painted blooms.





"I didn't start dreaming about my wedding gown until I found my dream relationship," says bride Andrea Dewey, seen here in her Monique Lhuillier.



BELLA NOTTE

TRAVEL-LOVING FLORIDIANS (AND THEIR DOG, ACE)
JETTED TO **TUSCANY** FOR A TASTE OF THE SWEET LIFE

BY LAMBETH HOCHWALD PHOTOGRAPHS BY JOSE VILLA

The view from the hilltop villa outside of Florence where Andrea and groom Adam Adler hosted their wedding weekend

“The rain clouds cleared just in time for the wedding,” says Adam. “Our florist joked that we brought the Florida sunshine with us.”



“Ghost chairs gave the wooden table a more formal feel,” says Andrea.

Distance has never been an issue for Andrea Dewey, 32, a lifestyle blogger, and Adam Adler, 31, an entrepreneur and tech investor. When they met at a Las Vegas nightclub, she lived in Seattle and he was in Miami. “The spark was immediate,” she says. They were bicoastal for three months, then Andrea went all in and moved to Florida. A year and a half later, Adam whisked her to Milan for a surprise birthday trip—and a proposal.

For their I do’s on April 14, 2013, the pair returned to Italy. Their plan: to treat 18 of their closest friends and family to a weekend of cooking classes, wine tastings, and spa treatments at Podere due Scale, a 1,000-year-old villa in Val D’Orcia, Tuscany, a region known for its rolling hills and killer Chiantis. “We couldn’t wait to share it with everyone we love!” she said.

Andrea injured her foot the day before the wedding when she fell down a set of stone steps, but nothing could stop her from walking down the aisle in her Louboutins. (“I later found out I’d broken a bone!” she says.) At the other end of the cobblestoned terrace were Adam and Ace, the couple’s tuxedo-clad Maltese mix, under a rustic chuppah hung with a chandelier. After the Jewish ceremony, guests nibbled on antipasti and watched the newly-weds sway to “Moon River.” It was the only dance of the night; the rest of the reception focused fully on the perfectly orchestrated five-course Tuscan feast, featuring dishes like asparagus risotto and grilled sea bass with rosemary. Seated at a candlelit farm table lush with garden roses, the party lingered over Brunello wine for hours, finally releasing wish lanterns into the starry sky. “By that time, everyone was so close,” said Andrea. “It was magic.” **B**



The couple flew a Miami-based rabbi to Italy to marry them.



Welcome bags were packed with local olive oil and Italian wedding cookies.



The bride’s organic bouquet of garden roses and seeded eucalyptus matched the blush-and-cream color palette.



After the couple’s first kiss, guests tossed olive leaves plucked from the villa’s grounds.



When the temperature dropped, Andrea covered up with a vintage fur wrap.



After dinner, guests released wish lanterns in Andrea and Adam's honor.

"Having a small wedding let us focus on what was important: celebrating with the people we are closest to," says Andrea.



Garden roses, ranunculus, peonies, and a lace runner decorated the dinner table.



Two tiers of lemon cake filled with berry-mascarpone cream were adorned with a single sugar peony.

Venue: Podere due Scale; homebaseabroad.com. **Wedding planner and stationery:** JCG Events; jcgevents.com. **Bride's dress:** Monique Lhuillier; moniquelhuillier.com. **Groom's tuxedo:** Tom Ford; tomford.com. **Catering:** Cooking in Toscana; cookingintoscana.it. **Cake:** L'Arte della Torta; tuscanweddingcakes.com. **Flowers:** La Rosa Canina; illaboratoriolarosacanina.tumblr.com. **Furniture rentals:** Preludio Noleggio; preludionoleggio.it. **Photography:** Jose Villa; josevilla.com.



Andrea wished on the lantern to remain "blissfully in love," she says. Adam, a competitive poker player, wouldn't share his wish. "He's too superstitious!"

"It was incredible to be given free rein over Highclere Castle," says bride Lacey Booth.



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Lacey Booth, 30, and Aaron Chaus, 31, spent childhood summers on the same East Hampton, New York, beach but didn't meet until they were in their 20s, at a charity benefit in Manhattan. Four years later, Aaron, a fashion executive, took Lacey, an interior designer, back to their beach to propose. But for the wedding, they journeyed a bit farther. "We love to travel and wanted to take our guests somewhere remarkable," says the bride. So they hopped across the pond to Highclere Castle, the Hampshire estate where *Downton Abbey* is filmed. "It was exactly what we wanted: stately, rich in tradition, yet intimate."

On June 7, 2014, 140 guests gathered in the castle's Gothic-style salon as Lacey walked down the staircase in custom Alexander McQueen. After the ceremony, everyone sipped Pimm's Cups in a lush garden, then regrouped in the library for foie gras and duck confit. Back in the salon, a DJ got the crowd on its feet, though the floor cleared for a dance by Aaron and his 10-year-old daughter to Elvis Crespo's "Luna Llena." At midnight, guests grabbed fish and chips and took double-decker buses to the Cliveden House hotel, a luxe estate and former home of the Astor family, for the after-party. Says Lacey, "We were the last ones standing. I didn't want the night to end!" **B**

White bouquets
brightened the
dark-wood library.





Gilded urns overflowed with hydrangeas, lilies, and roses.



Lacey's McQueen heels were samples from the 2013 Fall-Winter runway collection.



Venue and catering: Highclere Castle; highclerecastle.co.uk. **Planning:** Rees Jones Weddings and Events; 011 44 7747 783 765. **Bride's dress and shoes:** Alexander McQueen; alexandermcqueen.com. **Cake:** Linda Fripp Designs; lindafrippcakes.co.uk. **Stationery:** Mrs. John L. Strong; mrsstrong.com. **Flowers:** Paul Thomas Flowers; paulthomasflowers.co.uk. **Photography:** Barker Evans; barkerevans.com.

"WE WANTED TO HONOR ENGLISH TRADITION WITH A GRAND PARTY WORTHY OF THE VENUE," SAYS LACEY.

Fireworks flew as buses left for the after-party.





It's a big jump
but a totally
sweet one if you
do it right.

RELATIONSHIP BOOT CAMP

HOW TO LEAP INTO COMMITMENT

Brides couples coach **Alison A. Armstrong** explains that men and women approach the concept differently, but if you can learn to bridge the gap, you're on your way to a very happy Rest of Your Life

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"I've had moments of doubt about my relationship come out of nowhere," Laura, newly engaged in Katy, Texas, wrote to me. Things about her fiancé that had bugged her a little when they were dating were starting to look like serious problems when she thought about enduring them every day for the rest of her life. These doubts scared Laura because, like many brides-to-be, she had bought into one of the biggest marriage myths of all: that men are the ones with commitment issues, while women are naturals at it, making even the hint of cold feet feel like a serious red flag.

In reality, the opposite is true. Since your engagement, have you noticed that your fiancé has become more attentive? More protective? And more focused on being able to provide for you long-term? This is because no matter how long it took him to pop the question, he now considers himself responsible for you, for taking care of you and providing for you. Yes, it sounds old-fashioned—and it is! But even if you're the one with the fat paycheck and black belt in karate, men have an evolutionary imperative to provide and protect. And when you got engaged, you became the cornerstone of his life. In his mind, he's *already* married to you. He's committed to you as a whole package, which means he's accepted everything you are and everything you're not. He doesn't expect you to be perfect. He's decided you're just right *for him*.

But for women, commitment is a different animal. People say that when a man and woman get married, she's hoping he'll change, and he's hoping she won't. It may be a cliché, but there's truth to it. In more than 20 years of coaching couples, I've found that while men commit by accepting everything about you at once, women commit one acceptance at a time—and that can take a while. I've met women whose weddings happened 20 years ago but still aren't truly married because they've spent all that time resisting their husband's behaviors, needs, and values. Their husbands are aware of it and feel confused and disempowered because they thought they'd been accepted too. This harms the couple's ability to trust and connect with each other.

Does this mean you have to put up with everything about him unconditionally? No way! Think of your engagement as a commitment to committing, and get busy accepting what you can and working on what you can't. The more you do this between now and your wedding, the more confidently you'll walk down the aisle and the more prepared you'll be for that tricky first year of marriage.

When I explained this to Laura, she asked a good question: "How do you know which doubts are serious signs of trouble and which are just a normal part of adjusting to the biggest leap of your life?" Answer: Determine what you can tolerate and what you can't. My definition of *tolerate* is to be able to be with, without any loss of respect, admiration, or affinity. Consider the behavior that's bothering you, and imagine it happening for the rest of your life. Can you live with that, without any loss of admiration, respect, or affinity for your husband? For yourself? This applies to small and large things, from how he keeps his bathroom to what he spends money on to his religion or spiritual practices.

When you come upon something that you can't—or won't—accept, use the Great Ask method to have that crucial conversation. (Go to brides.com/bootcamp for my column on how to master this critical relationship skill.) Start by saying, "I have

a problem that I need your help with." Most women avoid the word *problem* because we have a compulsion to be perfect or to be seen as perfect. But it's key here because most men love to solve problems and may even feel a surge of energy just contemplating solutions. By contrast, *issue* sounds chronic and unsolvable; say it and you'll probably see his shoulders droop. Ditto for "I have a concern." So add "I have a problem" to your vocabulary, and practice saying it until you stop twitching.

Then, strive not only to be understood but also to really understand. You're not listening if you're planning your response when he's talking. Ask him what this behavior, habit, or value provides him. And wait for his answer without further prompting or guessing. You may want to interrupt or move things along. Resist the urge! Learning the real why—instead of the reason you're assuming—may help you tolerate something you didn't know you could. Every time you come to accept something about him that's different from your expectations, is inconvenient to you, or is not exactly as you'd prefer, you're that much more committed. Likewise, every time you're able to have him understand a change you truly need, you're giving him another way to "provide" for you.

Avoid dramatizing, but don't underestimate your problem. If something is a deal breaker for you, be straight about that. Saying "As much as I love you, this isn't something I can see myself living with" lets him know how much you need his help sorting this out. And you do need his help, because you've probably been unsuccessfully trying to resolve this on your own.

Side note: If you're wondering why it falls to you to do all this accepting and to initiate these hard conversations, there are two reasons. First, it's because this is a column for women; we're working on your half of the equation. Rest assured that when I'm addressing men, I give them plenty of homework! Second, we're talking about the process of acceptance, and his has already happened. His attention is now focused on the plan for your future, while yours, if you're like Laura—who, by the way, realized that her doubts were normal and is now happily planning her wedding—and so many women I've worked with, is on reassuring yourself that you can spend the rest of your life with this person, quirks and all.

The good news? Men expect life to include problems, so problems don't cause men to uncommit. An attendee at one of my panels put it this way: "When my wife and I got married, we struggled with our sex life. But I knew we had a long time to work it out." Of course, in our Happily Ever After fantasies, none of us would need to have these uncomfortable conversations with our spouse-to-be. But in an actual marriage, we often do as we grow and change as individuals and as a couple and deal with new situations. Thankfully, the more of these problems you work through, the more confidence you'll have in your ability to face them down together and the more you'll experience the freedom that comes with being really, truly committed. ■

Alison A. Armstrong, author of The Queen's Code, has helped millions of women and men learn to communicate better. For more information, visit understandingmen.com.

NEXT ISSUE! *Happily married as a top priority: Alison explains why it's crucial to put your relationship first to make it last.*

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PALM SPRINGS

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With confetti and feathers galore, this glam SoCal soiree was all about the fun

BY JAIME SCHOEN
PHOTOGRAPHS BY MATT MILLER AND
MEGHAN MCINNIS FOR DIAMOND EYES

Bride Christina Lopez wore a Vera Wang mermaid for her old-Hollywood-inspired vows.

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DININGS

SEE HOW THESE COUPLES WALKED DOWN THE AISLE IN STYLE

Tabletop details hewed tightly to a black-and-gold palette.



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THE COUPLE Christina Lopez, 32, boutique food broker, and Josh Parker, 30, account executive

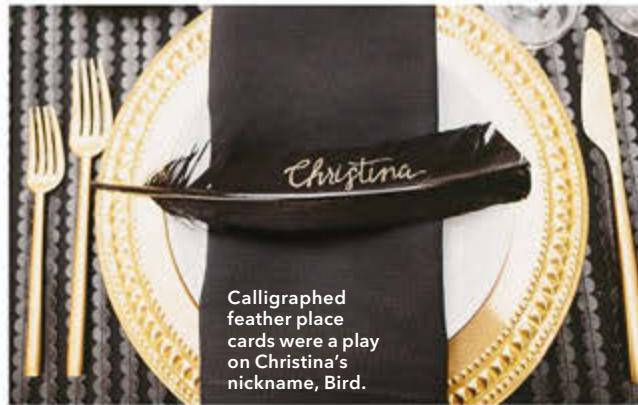
THE WEDDING At the Viceroy Palm Springs on October 12, 2013

HOW THEY MET Working for a food broker in 2007

THE PROPOSAL On the beach in Los Cabos, Mexico

THE HONEYMOON Bali

Christina Lopez and Josh Parker had two simple goals for their wedding: "We wanted to get married in Palm Springs, our favorite weekend getaway, and we wanted everyone to have a blast," she says. So the Orange County couple invited 110 guests to the Viceroy Palm Springs and kicked the day off with a deejayed pool party. By 5 p.m., everyone was dried off, dressed up, and in the courtyard to watch the bride walk down the aisle. Synchronized swimmers performed at cocktail hour, then dinner was served family style at long black tables. The crowd danced until 11, when everyone moved to an informal after-party in the hotel's gazebo. "Then we busted out the sliders and Dom Pérignon!" she says.



Calligraphed feather place cards were a play on Christina's nickname, Bird.



Christina accessorized with glittering Valentino pumps.



The bride's bouquet combined white garden roses, anemones, and dahlias.

TAKEAWAY TIPS FROM JOSH AND CHRISTINA

Accidents happen

"I ripped my dress while we took photos in the desert, which made it hard to bustle the skirt," says Christina. Luckily, her planner was able to tame the tulle. "And the pictures were worth it!"

Make adjustments

The venue didn't allow sparklers, so the couple had confetti cannons set off as they entered the reception.

Check the closet Josh and Christina were halfway home the next morning when they realized they'd forgotten something major: her dress! "Thankfully, we had time to go back and get it before our flight to Bali," the bride says.



The dessert table stood in front of a wall of feathers.

Venue and catering:
Viceroy Palm Springs;
viceroypalmsprings.com.

Wedding planner: Bash, Please;
bashplease.com.

Dress: Vera Wang; verawang.com.

Shoes: Valentino; valentino.com.

Floral design: JL Designs;
jldesignsandevents.com.

Cake: Sweet and Saucy Shop;
sweetandsaucyshop.com.

Synchronized swimmers:
Aqualillies; aqualillies.com.

DJ: Michael Antonia;
theflashdance.com.

Photography: Diamond Eyes;
wearediamonkeyes.com.

GET THE LOOK / HAUTE RETRO

HAIR CLIP
\$120, Bel Aire
Bridal; belairebridal.com.

NAPKIN RINGS
"Golden Feather,"
\$36 for four, Nest
Pretty Things;
nestprettythings.com.

BRIDESMAIDS'
DRESS
\$395, Erin
by Erin
Fetherston;
nordstrom.com.

CAKE
\$16 per
slice (serves
15), Lael
Cakes; laelcakes.com.

CUSTOM MENU
\$600 for 100,
Southern Fried
Paper; southernfriedpaper.com.

SHOES
\$575,
Chelsea
Paris;
chelseaparis.com.





Golden lighting and lush flowers brightened up the Milstein Hall of Ocean Life.

Yellow roses popped against the bridesmaids' mismatched silver gowns.



ON THE TOWN

ONE COUPLE HELD A WHIMSICAL WEDDING AT A NEW YORK LANDMARK

BY ANNA PRICE OLSON PHOTOGRAPHS BY CHRISTIAN OTH STUDIO

THE COUPLE Dorie Golkin, 29, cofounder of a women's wear start-up, and Chad Smith, 29, investment banker

THE WEDDING At the Episcopal Church of the Heavenly Rest and the American Museum of Natural History in New York on May 25, 2014

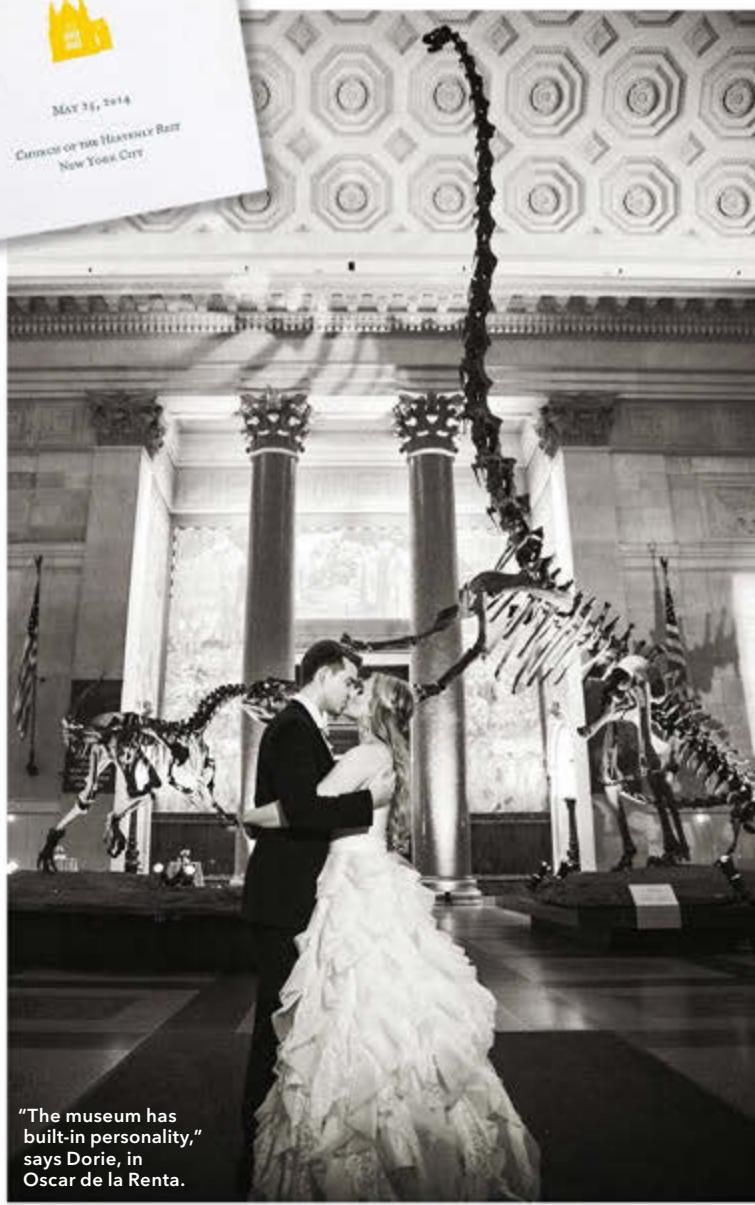
HOW THEY MET As students at Princeton University

THE PROPOSAL At home, after dinner and a late-night stroll

HONEYMOON Kenya, Tanzania, and Seychelles

A born-and-raised New Yorker, Dorie Golkin always dreamed of getting married in the city. So for her late-spring wedding, she and her groom, Chad Smith, picked the Church of the Heavenly Rest, down the block from the Upper East Side apartment where she grew up. "I slept in my childhood bed the night before and got ready in my parents' home," she says.

After their vows, Dorie and Chad headed to Central Park in a vintage checkered cab for photos and a surprise gift from the bride's parents, a park bench inscribed with "Happily Ever After" and their names. For the reception, everyone headed across the park to the American Museum of Natural History, where an Afro-Latin drum troupe led the 240 guests from cocktails in the rotunda to a black-tie dinner with splashes of yellow and pink under the museum's iconic 94-foot blue whale. A live band and bite-size desserts upped the festivities, then at midnight guests moved upstairs for a DJ-fueled after-party surrounded by monkeys and tigers. "Even after visiting the museum dozens of times as a kid, I'm still amazed by it," says Dorie. "It's always felt so full of magic."



"The museum has built-in personality," says Dorie, in Oscar de la Renta.

GET THE LOOK CHIC BRIGHTS

BOUQUET Peonies, tulips, snapdragons, ranunculus, privet, jasmine, and Queen Anne's lace, from \$275, Kat Flower; katflower.com.

PLACE-CARD HOLDERS

"Fish in Platinum," \$175 for six, L'Objet; l-objet.com.

Lee Bowman

TAKEAWAY TIPS FROM DORIE AND CHAD

Let your style shine

Dorie didn't feel like herself in a veil, so she skipped the tradition and topped her waves with a crown of baby's breath instead.

Have fun with color

Yellow, the bride's favorite hue, made appearances throughout the day, from her engagement ring and the bridesmaids' bouquets to the sunny lighting at the reception.

Share what you love

Proust is one of Chad's favorite authors, so he chose a passage from *In Search of Lost Time* to be read at the ceremony.

Maximize your venue

Chad and Dorie held the cocktail hour, reception, and after-party in three different spots within the museum to give guests the full experience.



RING
Yellow sapphire and diamond halo set in platinum, price upon request, Coast Diamond; coastdiamond.com.

DRESS
Tulle with horsehair hem, \$2,700, Wtoo; watters.com.



SHOES
\$375, Diane von Furstenberg; dvf.com.



Dorie and her flower girl, her niece Kylie, both carried stephanotis bouquets.



Bold blooms celebrated the spring season.



Friend Emmy Rossum (left) loaned Dorie a vintage bracelet as her "something borrowed."

FLOWERS, PLACE CARD, AND DRESS: CATHY CRAWFORD, STYLING BY RENEE YAN; RING: COURTESY OF COAST DIAMOND; SHOE: COURTESY OF DIANE VON FURSTENBERG

Ceremony venue: The Episcopal Church of the Heavenly Rest; heavenlyrest.org.

Reception venue: American Museum of Natural History; amnh.org.

Wedding planner: Karen Bussen; karenbussen.com.

Wedding dress: Oscar de la Renta; oscardelarenta.com.

Stationery: Mr. Boddington's Studio; mrboddington.com.

Lighting: Stortz Lighting; stortzlighting.com.

Photography: Christian Oth Studio; christianothstudio.com.



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COASTAL CHIC

LEAVE IT TO A COUPLE OF EVENT PLANNERS TO THROW AN UNFORGETTABLE SEASIDE BASH AND STILL COME IN UNDER BUDGET!

BY JAIME SCHOEN PHOTOGRAPHS BY MICHELLE GARDELLA PHOTOGRAPHY

THE COUPLE Jennifer Weston, 38, event production manager, and Rachel Newman, 36, executive event producer

THE WEDDING At Castle Hill Inn in Newport, Rhode Island, on July 25, 2013

THE BUDGET GOAL \$40,000

Rachel Newman's sister-in-law introduced her to Jenny Weston in 2007, hoping the two, special-event pros, would be fast friends. Little did she know that six years later, she'd watch them walk down the aisle. "Meeting Jenny was a dream come true, and I haven't woken up," says Rachel (above, at right). The brides put their talents to work, planning a summer wedding for 60 on the lawn at Castle Hill Inn in Newport, Rhode Island. But when a thunderstorm threatened, they rebuilt the chuppah inside the hotel and moved the clambake from an outdoor pit to the kitchen. After the ceremony, guests headed to a tented reception, where the DJ kicked off the party with "Blurred Lines." Says Jenny, "Everyone started dancing immediately. Servers got stuck between the tables!" The brides and their brothers hit the floor with *Dirty Dancing*-style flips and spins, then Rachel surprised Jenny with a flash-mob dance to a version of Michael Bublé's "Everything" she'd recorded for the occasion. The crowd raged till late, proving that a few clouds couldn't stop the fun. "After all," says Jenny, "it wouldn't have been Woodstock without the rain!"



Venue and catering: Castle Hill Inn; castlehillinn.com.

Jenny's dress: J.Crew; jcrew.com.

Jenny's shoes: Badgley Mischka; badgleymischa.com.

Rachel's suit: Ted Baker (jacket); tedbaker.com. DKNY (pants); dkny.com.

Rachel's shoes: Sam Edelman; samedelman.com.

Flowers: Stoneblossom; stoneblossom.com.

Stationery: Presshaus L.A.; presshausla.com.

Cake: Highland Farm; highlandfarmrri.com.

Photography: Michelle Gardella Photography; michellegardella.com.



THE SPLURGES

VENUE

"We wanted our guests to feel like they were somewhere special, so we chose Castle Hill Inn, a gorgeous spot right on the water that both our families love," says Rachel.

FLOWERS

The brides nearly doubled their original budget for blooms to bring their *Midsummer Night's Dream* vision to life.

NANNY SERVICE

"It wouldn't have been a celebration without all the children in our lives," says Jenny. A crew of babysitters kept the kids entertained while their parents partied.

TRANSPORTATION

Because guests' hotels were scattered all over Newport, the couple hired a trolley to take them to and from the wedding so they could really enjoy a night of revelry!



THE SAVES

DATE

Having their wedding on a Thursday instead of a Friday or Saturday night shrunk the venue bill by \$20,000.

PHOTOGRAPHY

The photographer was shooting nearby later that weekend, so the brides were able to negotiate a discount.

ATTIRE

Jenny skipped the big-name bridal designer, instead choosing a gown from J.Crew's wedding collection. Rachel combined a Ted Baker tuxedo jacket and DKNY pants for her own spin on a bridal ensemble.

DJ

With more than 20 combined years in event planning, Rachel and Jenny have made some talented friends—including their DJ, Adrian Govind, who offered his services as a wedding gift.

WHERE THE MONEY WENT

VENUE

Ceremony venue, reception venue, bridal suite, catering, beverages, rentals, fees
\$18,740

OFFICIANT

\$1,000
JENNY'S ATTIRE Dress, shoes **\$986**

RACHEL'S ATTIRE

Jacket, pants, shirt, bow tie, jewelry, shoes
\$1,382

HAIR

\$300

MAKEUP

\$420

WEDDING BANDS

\$3,590

CAKE

\$40

FLOWERS

\$4,030

INVITATIONS

\$815

MUSIC (travel expenses only)

\$1,295

PHOTOGRAPHY

\$3,500

FAVORS

Chocolates, cookies, lip balm, bags
\$762

CHILD CARE

\$500

TRANSPORTATION

\$1,350



Dinner featured sweet corn, littleneck clams, and steamed local lobster.

MISCELLANEOUS

Ketubah, flower girl's dress, alterations
\$1,124

TOTAL **\$39,834**

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SHOPPING GUIDE, ETC.



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Easy Canvas Prints; easycanvasprints.com. **VINTAGE PICTURE FRAME** From \$12, Floyd Jones Vintage; etsy.com.



BELLA NOTTE

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LINEN RENTALS Nuage Designs; nuagedesigns.com. **FLATWARE RENTALS** Unearthed Vintage; unearthedvintage.com.



PALM SPRINGS POSH

(pages 388-391)

RENTALS Found Vintage Rentals; foundrentals.com. La Tavola; linens.latavolalinen.com. Casa de Perrin; casadeperrin.com. Classic Party Rentals; classicpartyrentals.com. **SILHOUETTES** About Face Studios; 972-757-4356. Cut Arts Studio; cutarts.com.



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CATERING Restaurant Associates; restaurantassociates.com. **CAKE** Nine Cakes; ninelcakes.com.



THE WELL-DRESSED CAKE

(page 370) **CAKE** Lulu Cake Boutique; everythinglulu.com. **ENTERTAINING PLATE** "Melange," \$495, Kelly Wearstler; kellywearstler.com. (page 371) **CAKE** Maggie Austin Cake; maggieaustincake.com. (page 372) **CAKE** A White Cake by Lauren Bohl White; awhitecake.com. (page 373) **CAKE** Nine Cakes; ninelcakes.com. **CAKE STAND** "Staghorn," \$179, Lunares; lunareshome.com. (page 374) **CAKE** Lael Cakes; laelcakes.com. (page 375) **CAKE** Hey There, Cupcake!; heythere-cupcake.com.

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Lillian West gowns are designed with clean lines, sexy styling, and provocative accents—making any bride feel confident and graceful. Striking keyhole backs, bold textures, and delicate beadwork merge to create sultry, effortless, and ethereal gowns.

64 / LUSAN MANDONGUS

A name synonymous with classic elegance, Lusan Mandongus has been creating gorgeous and sophisticated bridal gowns with a passion to design every girl's dream dress for her wedding day.

65 / MAGGIE SOTTERO

Maggie Sottero is a leading bridal designer whose gowns offer the look and feel of luxury at an affordable price. Renowned for the best fit in the industry, she creates innovative styles available at fine retailers worldwide.

66 / MARTINA LIANA

Blending couture customization and quality with distinctive design for today's fashion-savvy bride, the new collection unveils moment-defining dresses ranging from Hollywood sparkle to romantic lace and asymmetrical necklines.

67 / MARY BY P.C. MARY'S INC.

Receive a stunning lookbook featuring Mary's collection of bridal, bridesmaid, mother-of-the-bride, and informal destination gowns, plus flower girl dresses and accessories. Available in sizes 2-30, all moderately priced.

68 / MATTHEW CHRISTOPHER

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69 / MONIQUE LHUILLIER

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82 / SINCRITY BRIDAL

Sincerity Bridal is a collection of dreamy bridal gowns that combines classic designs, modern elements, and meticulous construction in order to create sexy and feminine silhouettes perfect for the girl next door.

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MAY 21-JUNE 20
Need to negotiate down your catering bill? You're in luck. Venus turns on the charm in Gemini from April 11 to May 7. Sweet-talk a vendor into the amazing deal your friend nabbed last year. Or if you've finalized your contracts, start working on your vows!

SCORPIO

OCT. 23-NOV. 21
You're due for some serious romance when the full moon in Scorpio gels with escapist Neptune in your love-and-play zone on May 3. Spend the whole day in bed with Netflix and wine, re-create your first date, or go for a long walk—no wedding talk allowed.

CANCER

JUNE 21-JULY 22
The lunar eclipse lands in your emotions angle on April 4, kicking your stress levels into overdrive. The best way to battle burnout? Arrange plenty of alone time. We recommend combining one part champagne with three parts TV season finales.

SAGITTARIUS

NOV. 22-DEC. 21
You'll get tons done while Mars is in your productivity zone in April, but when he crosses your relationship angle on May 11, it's time to invite your groom to the planning party. Use the time for tasks that require input from both of you, like cake tasting.

LEO

JULY 23-AUG. 22
When optimistic Jupiter comes out of retrograde in Leo on April 8, take the opportunity to tackle your most ambitious goals. That wall of paper flowers you envisioned for your escort-card display is about to get a whole lot less intimidating.

CAPRICORN

DEC. 22-JAN. 19
If you're having trouble choosing a photographer or locking down the perfect venue, blame Pluto. It turns retrograde in Cap on April 16, and you may find it hard to make decisions. Create a routine you can stick to until your plans get back on track.



ARIES

MAR. 21-APR. 19
On April 18, the new moon in daring Aries brings your bold side out of hiding. Itching to try metallic eyeshadow or a red statement lipstick? Go for it. **Want to include your beloved French bulldog?** Buck tradition and let him be the "best dog." Some wedding rules are meant to be broken!



TAURUS

APR. 20-MAY 20
You and your binder will be inseparable, with adrenalized Mars in Taurus until May 11. Take advantage of this six-week energy burst and check several tasks off your list. You'll be feeling extra assertive, so now's the time to tell your mother-in-law that she can't invite her entire book club.



VIRGO

AUG. 23-SEPT. 22
Mars is in your journeys house until May 11, motivating you to build up frequent-flyer miles. If you're having a destination wedding, kick your plans into high gear. How about combining a far-flung venue visit with a weekend getaway for two?

LIBRA

SEPT. 23-OCT. 22
On April 4, when the lunar eclipse messes with planets in your marriage angle, you'll finally compromise on an unresolved relationship conflict. Let the record show, once and for all, that leaving sweaty workout clothes on the floor is *not* a deal breaker.



AQUARIUS

JAN. 20-FEB. 18
Doer Mars is cruising through your family sector until May 11, inspiring you to enlist eager-to-help relatives as planning deputies. Put your mom on venue-scouting duty, or ask your music-obsessed brother to help you demo his favorite local bands.

PISCES

FEB. 19-MAR. 20
Get ready to unleash your inner design genius when aesthete Venus visits your domestic angle from April 11 through May 7. If there was ever a moment to bring that picture-perfect Pinterest board to life, it's now. Go forth and DIY!

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